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# Bible Records

## Wyatt Moye Bible

The Moye Bible was in the possession of Mrs. Madison Brown, Centreville, Md. many years ago. The following is taken from a typed copy sent to Roger Kammerer by R. M. Wells, of Paradise Valley, AZ.

Marriages
Wyatt Moye and Martha, his wife, were married the 18th day of March, A. D., 1824

Births
Wyatt Moye was born the 30th day of April, A. D. 1793.
Martha Moye, his wife, was born the February 9th 1804.
William Wyatt Moye, son of Wyatt Moye and Martha, his wife, was born the 1st day of June, A. D. 1825.
Sally Ann Adams Moye, Daughter of Wyatt Moye and Martha, his wife, was born the 9th of Nov., A. D. 1826.
Martha Caroline Moye, daughter of Wyatt Moye and Martha Moye was born the 26th day of January, A.M., 4 O'clock, 1830.
Louizer Virginia Moye, daughter of Wyatt Moye and Martha, his wife, was born the 4th of April, A. D. , A. D. 1832
William H. Moye, son of Irwin Moye and Susan Moye, his wife, was born the 29th day of August, 1826, at one o'clock in A.M.
Samuel H. Moye, son of Irwin Moye and Susan, his wife, was born 21st September, 1828, at 9 o'clock P.M.
Mary Jane Moye, daughter of Irwin Moye and Susan Moye, his wife, was born the 30th day of September, 1831, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Deaths
William Wyatt Moye, son of Wyatt Moye and Martha, his wife, departed this life June 22nd., A. D. 1826.
Sally Ann Adams Moye, daughter of Wyatt Moye and Martha, his wife, departed this life March 7th., A.D. 1827.
Wyatt Moye who was born the 30th April 1793 Died at Dancy Plantation St. Mary's Parish La., 21st Oct 1862.
Martha Moye, wife of Wyatt Moye departed this life Sunday morning May 25th., 1845, about 8 o'clock. She died with consumption aged 41 years, 3 months & 15 days.
Louezer Virginia Moye died at her Father's residence State of Missi City of Aberdeen about 7 O'clock on the morning of the 25th of March 1852, the same day she was to be married at night, aged 19 years and 11 days.
Martha Caroline Dancy who married William F. Dancy of No. Carolina, Edgecombe County, Town of Tarboro Died at her own residence in Tarboro at or about the hour of 2 O'clock A. M., on the 14th day of August, 1852, leaving two infant children daughter and son, her age was 22 years & 19 days.
Louisa M. Moye wife of Wyatt Moye Born in No. Carolina November 10th. 1810 died in Mississippi Oct. 5th., 1856, aged 46 years 10 months & 26 days.
Col. Brandon is to commence the work next Monday morning he says it is too cold now. Wyatt Moye

*(Bibles, con'd. next page)*

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## Haddock–Adams Marriage

From the marriage register, New Hanover County Courthouse, Wilmington, NC:
Married in Wilmington, NC, March 15, 1875, Henry HADDOCK, 24, son of Spencer and Lovey HADDOCK of Pitt County to Argent ADAMS, 26, daughter of Jesse and Patsy ADAMS of Pitt County.

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## James Henry Harris Bible

Bible was owned by Lillie McLawhorn. Transcribed by Tim Nichols from the original.

Deaths
David B. Harris died November 24, 1895
Edward B. Harris died September 15, 1897
Charles Harris was born February 28, 1811
Elizabeth Nichols born July 5, 1814 died July 15, 1865
Susan B. Harris died August 20, 1901
Charley H. Harris died December 9, 1922
J. H. Harris died June 19, 1928
Nora Forbes Harris died March 5, 1943
Joseph Allen Harris died June 11, 1942
Benjamine F. Harris died February 15, 1930
Letha Harris Cherry died October 1976

Susan B. Smith dead for 83 years died at 40

Births
J. H. Harris born May 12, 1855
Susan E. Harris born August 7, 1857
David B. Harris born February 29, 1880 died Nov. 24, 1895
Charles H. Harris born October 26, 1881 died Dec. 9, 1922
James Lewis Harris born February 9, 1883 died July 26, 1955
Joseph Ollen Harris born March 24, 1884 died Jan. 1941
Emily Louise Harris born October 15, 1886 died Jan. 30, 1954
Benjamine Franklin Harris born May 20, 1889 died Feb. 15, 1930
Ellen O. Letha Harris born April 3, 1891 died October 1976
Edward Cleveland Harris born Sept. 11, 1892 died Sept. 14, 1899
Robert Spencer Harris born July 15, 1894 died Jan. 24, 1950
Albert Whitney Harris born March 26, 1898 died Nov. 19, 1953
Lillie Pearl Harris born Sept. 18, 1899

Susan Brown Smith born May 9, 1861
W. S. Harris died Nov. 1959
James H. Harris married September 14, 1902 Susan E. Hardee

## Harmon Hancock Bible

This bible was owned by G. D. Cox of Winterville, N. C. and was copied by Jeannette Cox St. Amand and printed in N. C. Bible Records of the Stamp Defiance Chapter, DAR, Wilmington, NC, 1958. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

Holy Bible, Translated out of the Original Tongues- and with the Former Translations Diligently Compared and Revised, by E. and J. White for The American Bible Society- New York, Published 1826.

Births
Harman Hancock was born May 25, 1771
Sarah Hancock was born July 16th 1800
Henry Hancock was born December 2nd 1801

Penny Hancock was born March 9th 1804
George Washington Hancock was born Jan 13th 1806
Mary Hines Hancock was born Feb. 4, 1811
Elizabeth Hancock was born Aug. 31, 1832
(No other records in this old Bible)

## Arthur Walton Ange Bible

This bible was owned by Fannie Mae Ange of Winterville, N. C. and was copied by Jeannette Cox St. Amand and printed in N. C. Bible Records of the Stamp Defiance Chapter, DAR, Wilmington, N. C. 1958. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

The new Indexed Bible, Alphabetically Indexed and Combines the Studies of Biblical Biography, Geography, History, Theology. Revised and Enlarged from the Original Edition. Published by John A. Dickson Publishing Company, Chicago, Illinois, Copyright 1907, 1909.

HOLY MATRIMONY
Arthur Walton Ange and Mary Louise Haddock, married at Ayden Baptist Church on 22nd day of October 1902.

FAMILY HISTORY
Mary E. Haddock, born March 21, 1825

GREAT GRAND PARENTS
Malichi Ange, Grandfather's Father
Fammie Ange, Grandfather's Mother
Frank Ange, Grandmother's Father
Christianna Ange, Grandmother's Mother

MOTHER'S GRANDPARENTS
Fred Haddock, born Oct. 19, 1796 and died 1891, Grandfather's Father
Jemima Cox, born Nov. 26, 1802 and died March 14, 1876, Grandfather's Mother
John H. Cox, born July 18, 1812 and died Jan. 14, 1887, Grandmother's Father
Eliza Nobles, born Nov. 25, 1824 and died Sept. 17, 1852, Grandmother's Mother

PARENT'S PARENTS
Silas Fayette Ange, born Jan. 26, 1852, died May 19, 1931, Father's Father
Sarah Frances Ange, born Jan. 22, 1843, died March 1932, Father's Mother
Henry Clay Haddock, born Sept. 11, 1834, died May 2, 1882 (CSA) Mother's Father
Mary Ann Cox, born Sept. 23, 1843, died May 26, 1905

PARENTS
Arthur W. Ange, born Dec. 2, 1876 in Martin County, married Oct. 22, 1902
Mary L. Haddock, born July 14, 1876 in Pitt County, died Oct. 6, 1946

CHILDREN
Sarah Louise, born Aug. 21, 1903 and died Aug. 20, 1904
Hugh Lafayette, born Oct. 23, 1904 and died Jan. 10, 1919
Fannie May, born Sept. 29, 1906
Louise A., born April 25, 1909, married Aug. 22, 1931 V. E. White
Myrtle, born April 12, 1912, married Feb. 10, 19__ James H. Black
Gladys, born Sept. 3, 1915 and died Dec. 26, 1917

OTHER ITEMS ON SAME PAGE
Myrtle Ange, born Sept. 10, 1882
Andrew Waters, born Feb. 14, _____ and died Nov. 1907

CHILDREN OF MYRTLE ANGE AND JAMES H. BLACK
James Walton Black, born Feb. 5, 19___
Arthur Lamont Black, born Jan. 23, ____
James Marcus Black
Louise Ange (Ludie) Black, born Sept. 30, 1951

## Alfred Worthington Bible

From photo copies of the record pages located in the NC Archives Bible collection. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

Holy Bible, Old and New Testaments, with Concordance, published by John C. Winston and Co. (no date). The pages are torn and appear to be pages from an older bible stuck in a newer one.

Alefar Magounds His wife was —(torn)——in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and ——(torn)
Guilford Magounds was bornd the 3 of June—(torn)—our Lord Eighteen Hundred and fifteen
Birten Magounds was bornd the 19 of May—(torn)—yar of our lord Eighteen and seventeen
Edy the daughtor of Rachel Born the 20 day of April in the year of our —(torn)—one thousand Eight hundred twenty
Gim the Sun of Diner was Born the 24 of Septem—(torn)—in year of our Lord one thousan Eiaght hundred and thirteen
Eisum the Sun of Diner was Born the 13 Junary in the year of our lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixteen
Ary the dughter of Rachul was Born the 12 of Junary in the year of our lord one thousand Eight hundrid and fifteen
Gwin the dughtor of harrit was Born the 10 of febuary in the year of our lord one thousand Eight hundred and Eight teen
——(torn writing)——
——(torn)—and Lydia Moye his wife was —(torn)—July the 28 day in the yer of —(torn)—one thousand eight and eleven
—(torn)—h B Moye the daughter of Franklin Moye and Lyday Moye His Wife was born January the 19th —(torn)—the yare of our lord Eighteen Hundred and fourteen
Nancey Wallace the Daughter of Gedion Moye She died May the 11th 1875
Spire Weathington the son of Speir Weathington and rebeca His wife He Died April 22th 1875
Loty Moye wa_ the daughter of Gideon Moy—(torn)—Nancy Moye His wife was Bornd the 16th of September in the year of our lord one thousand Eight Hundred and ten
Moses of Rachel and Aron was Bornd the 2(4)?—(torn)— october in the yar of our lord one thousand Eig—(torn)—Hundred and thirteen
Perlina Moye the daughter of Gideon Moye and Nancey Moye His Wifle was born the 18th of Marc—(torn)—in the year of our lord Eighteen Hundred and sixteen
Arnea Moye the daughter of Gideon Moye and—(torn)—Moye His wife was Bornd the 15 of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and twen—(torn)
Gideon Moye Departed this life—(torn)
—(torn)—t the daughter of Sparkman —(torn)—ratha his wife was Born the —(torn)—of August in the year of our Lord 18—(blurred)
Gideon Moye was supposed to be born—(torn)—year 1768 June the—(torn)
Lyday Moye departed this life 1st day of November in the year of our lord 1821
—(faint)—the daughter of Rachel was Born the 12 of April in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundrid and eight

—(faint)—lan the daughter of Diner was Born the 4 of July in the yar of our lord one thousand Eight hundrid and nineteen

—(faint)—rning the daughter of diner was Born the 7 of August—(faint)—year of our Lord one thousand and Eight hundrid and twenty

| FAMILY RECORD | Date of Birth | Date of Marriage | Date of Death |
|---|---|---|---|
| Louis H. Worthington | Sept. 17, 1868 | | March 12, 1937 |
| Edward L. Worthington | Febr. 12, 1870 | Dec. 9, 1891 | March 26, 1921 |
| Alfred Worthington | May 16, 1871 | | June 8, 1938 |
| John R. Worthington | March 17, 1873 | Dec. 28, 1896 | Feb. 23, 1935 |
| Charlie A. Worthington | Jan. 21, 1875 | Feb. 20, 1901 | Oct-15-1932 |
| William Worthington | March 28, 1877 | not married | November 23, 1900 |
| Robert L. Worthington | Dec. 5, 1878 | Mar. 22, 1905 | Dec. 17-1965 |
| Fred A. Worthington | Febry 9, 1881 | Feb. 28, 1906 | Oct. 26, 1942 |
| Heber F. Worthington | Oct. 5, 1882 | Jan. 26, 1908 | Oct. 9, 1965 |
| Daisy H. Worthington | July 5, 1884 | not married | July 16, 1884 |
| G. C. H. Worthington | June 11, 1885 | Jan. 12, 1908 | Feb. 3, 1951 |
| James B. Worthington | Aug. 3, 1887 | April 2, 1913 | Dec. 13, 1958 |
| Lula H. Worthington | Nov. 4, 1889 | Dec. 21, 1904 | Feb. 24, 1943 |
| Alfred Worthington, son of Jeremiah W. was born | January 10, 1845 | Nov. 17, 1867 | July 18, 1906 |
| Sarah F. Worthington was born | Oct. 9, 1849 | | Nov. 12, 1917 |

## John Stocks Bible

Bible owned by Horace R. Philpot, Cedar Town, Ga. A typewritten copy contributed in 1993 by Tressie Stocks Bostick to Texas DAR, GRC, series 2, Vol. 177.

Births
John Stocks was born August 5th 1789
Caroline M. Stocks, his wife was born Nov. 14, 1800
Thomas Franklin Stocks was born April the 3rd 1820
Martha Ann Stocks was born June (?) 7th (?) 1822
Charity Hunter Stocks was born the twenty sixth day of June 1824.
Elizabeth Jane Stocks was born June 22-1826
William Abraham Stocks was born April 13th 1828
Sarah Antoinette Stocks was born 26th Dec. 1832
Caroline Matilta Stocks was born Dec. 1834
Julia Catherine Stocks was bornd 4th day of April 1837

(Grandchildren of John and Caroline M. Stocks)
John Thomas Stocks was born the 23rd day of Aug, A. D. 1842.
Caroline I. (or J.) Stocks, dtr of T. F. and M. E. Stocks was born 2nd May 1844.
Cynthia Ann Hulsey was born June 25, 1851.
Manerva Tellurah Philpot was born 11 May 1857.
Sarah Elizabeth Philpot was born Aug. 11, 1858
Della Hulsey was born 23rd of March 1860.
Sarah Antoinette Hulsey was born Jan. the 27th, 1863.
Sarah Elizabeth Ledbetter was born the 13th day of Oct. 1840.
Samuel Montgomery Ledbetter was born on the 16th day of Nov. 1842.

Sue Ledbetter was born 17th Feb. 1855.
Elizabeth Jane Ledbetter was born the 1 Feb. 1857.

(Deaths written on Births page)
Elizabeth Ledbetter Dide the 2 July 1857
John Ledbetter Dide 5 Aug. 1856.
Sarah A Hulsey Departed this life March the 4th 1863

Marriages
John Stocks and Caroline Matilda Hunter was married the 3rd of July 1817.
John W. Barton and Martha A. Stocks was married 11 April 1837 (38?)
Thomas F. Stocks and Mary E. Casey was married 7 Jan. 1841.

Deaths
William Abraham Stocks d. 17 August 1829
Caroline I. (or J.) d. 12 June 1844; dtr. of T. F. and M. E. Stocks.
William S. Dunnahoo born 15 Dec(?) 1871 (?)
John Henry Dunnahoo b. 6 July 1855
Franklin Barton Dunnahoo b. 11 Sep 1861
John Stocks departed this life Jan. 22, 1870.
Sarah E. Ledbetter died 8 Dec. 1841. (?)
Charity H. Ledbetter departed this life on the 10 day of Dec. 1842. Aged 17 yrs, 5 mo, 14 days.
Samuel M. Ledbetter d. 15 Feb. 1843
Oh death thy sting Oh grave thy victory
John Ledbetter d. 5 Aug. 1856

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## Miscellaneous Death Notices

Died Wed. night March 20, Mrs. P. A. WAYNE, daughter of the late Sylvester COX. She was the second wife of Mr. WAYNE. (*Daily Reflector*, March 22, 1912)

Died March 8, Mrs. L. D. McLAWHORN, youngest daughter of Skilton DENNIS. She leaves a husband and five children. (*Daily Reflector*, March 9, 1912)

Died at the home of her nephew J. Mc NELSON; Miss Harriet NELSON, sister of the late Jesse NELSON. She was old and never married. (*Daily Reflector*, Feb. 21, 1912)

Died Nov. 3, near Greenville; Elmer, wife of C. D. HARRINGTON and daughter of Ashley WHICHARD of Greenville. (*Daily Reflector*, Nov. 4, 1911)

Died Oct. 15, of paralysis, Benjamin STOX of Ayden. He made shingles and well hollows. He was married to Martha, daughter of Fred WHITE. (*Daily Reflector*, Oct. 17, 1911)

Died in Hamilton, NC a few days ago; Mrs. Sarah E. DAVENPORT, age 70, sister of D. C. MOORE of Greenville, NC. (*Daily Reflector*, Sept. 21, 1911)

Died Aug. 18, near Oakley; Malinda, wife of J. T. JENKINS, daughter of the late James WHICHARD. (*Daily Reflector*, Aug. 19, 1911)

Died Feb. 6, near Reedy Branch Church, Mrs. Benjamin SMITH, aged about 50 years. She leaves a husband and several children. (*Daily Reflector*, Feb. 8, 1908)

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# General Musters, Pitt Co. Militia

From originals in the North Carolina Division of Archives and History, Raleigh, NC. Contributed by Roger Kammerer. The first list was not so neat as the second, with many strike-throughs and blobs.

NCDAH, Series: Mil. TR. 2, folder 46:

*Field Return of the Regiment of Militia for Pitt County at A General Muster the 18th Day of November 1773*

| Commissioned Officers | | Non-Commissioned Officers Private Men | | | | | | Officers Recommend'd To Vacancies |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Serjeants | Corporals | Drummers | Under Arms | Absent | Total | |
| John Tison | Col. | | | | | | | |
| ~~John Simpson~~ | Collo. | | | | | | | |
| Amos Atkinson | Lt. Col. | | | | | | | |
| ~~Robt. Salter~~ | ~~Lieut. Coll~~ | | | | | | | |
| John Tison | Major | | | | | | | |
| Aoran Tison | Major | | | | | | | |
| 1 ~~Amos Atkinson~~ | ~~Capt~~ | | | | | | | |
| Capt. Robt. Grimmer | ~~Lieut~~ | | | | | | | |
| Simon Pope | ~~L?~~ Ensign | | | | | | | |
| Charles Forbes | Capt. | | | | | | | |
| 2 James Lanier | Lieut | 3 | 3 | 1 | 65 | | 75 | |
| Allen Sugg | Ensign | | | | | | | |
| James Armstrong | Capt | | | | | | | |
| 3 Simon Jones | Lieut | 3 | 3 | 1 | 84 | 12 | 106 | |
| Roland Dixon | Ensign | | | | | | | |
| John Hardee | Ca | | | | | | | |
| 4 Dennis Cannon | Lieut | 3 | 3 | 1 | 11 | | | |
| William Burney | Ensi | | | | | | | |
| Benjn. Brown | Capt. | | | | | | | |
| 5 Robt. Daniel | Lieut | 3 | 3 | 1 | 53 | 9 | 72 | |
| Willm. Robinson | Ensign | | | | | | | |
| Benjamin May | Capt. | | | | | | | |
| 6 Jacob Tison | | 3 | 3 | 1 | 53 | 9 | 72 | |
| James May | | | | | | | | |
| 7 John Noble | Capt | | | | | | | |
| Capt. George Porter | ~~Lieut Ensign~~ | 3 | 3 | 1 | 69 | | 78 | Wm. Bryant Esqr. In the Room of Capt. John Noble, Deceasd. |
| | Lieut. | | | | | | | |
| Jesse Jolley | ~~Ensign~~ | | | | | | | |
| | Ensign | | | | | | | |
| James Little | Capt. | | | | | | | |
| 8 Robert Hodges, | Lieut | 3 | 3 | 1 | 67 | | 74 | |
| Will: Daniel Pinket | Ensi | | | | | | | |
| | | John Leslie—Adjut't. | | | | | | John Simpson Coll'l m.o. 23d. May 1775 |

NCDAH, Series: Mil. TR. 3, folder 14:

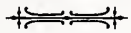
*Field Return of the Regiment of Militia for Pitt County at A General Muster the 12th day of October 1775*

| Commissioned Officers | Non-Commission Officers &c | | | | | | Officers Recommend'd To Vacancies |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Serjeants | Corporals | Drummers | Under Arms | Absent | Total | |
| John Simpson ..... Coll:<br>Robert Salter ..... Lieut Coll:<br>George Evans ..... First Major<br>James Armstrong, ..... Second Major | | | | | | | |
| 1 William Robson ..... Capt.<br>Samuel Barrow ..... Lieut.<br>John Cason ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 72 | 3 | 85 | |
| 2 Benjamin May ..... Capt.<br>James May ..... Lieut.<br>Josiah Askew ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 36 | 19 | 65 | |
| 3 Simon Jones ..... Capt.<br>Roland Dixon ..... Lieut.<br>William Buck ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 60 | 11 | 81 | |
| 4 James Lanier ..... Capt.<br>Joel Sugg ..... Lieut.<br>Allen Sugg ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 48 | 7 | 65 | |
| 5 George Porter ..... Capt.<br>Jessee Jolly ..... Lieut<br>Edward Moore ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 58 | 8 | 76 | |
| 6 William Burney ..... Capt.<br>James Brooks ~~Lie~~ ..... Lieut.<br>Andrew Hardee ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 63 | 11 | 84 | |
| 7 Henry Ellis ..... Capt.<br>Arthur Forbes ..... Lieut.<br>Samuel Stafford ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 41 | 9 | 60 | |
| 8 Simon Pope ..... Capt.<br>Marcus Stoakes ..... Lieut.<br>William Perry ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 47 | 12 | 69 | |
| 9 Godfrey Stancell ..... Capt.<br>Charles Waldrom ..... Lieut.<br>James Mayo Jun' ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 32 | 19 | 61 | |
| 10 Robert Hodges ..... Capt.<br>Henry Hodges ..... Lieut<br>Thos. Williams ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 47 | 10 | 67 | |
| 11 John Tilghman ..... Capt.<br>Nathaniel Cannon ..... Lieut.<br>John Frizzle ..... Ensign | 3 | 3 | 1 | 51 | 9 | 70 | |
| | | | | | | 783 | |

Returned by John Simpson Coll'ol —

# Hosea Knox Family of Pitt County

The following is a letter that appeared in the *Eastern Reflector*, Feb. 14, 1913, written by the Rev. Robert William Stancill, noted minister of the Diciples of Christ. Abstracted by Roger Kammerer.



Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 31, 1913.
Editor Reflector, Greenville, NC

Dear Friend: I am now holding a revival meeting at Spartanburg, Randolph county, Ind., 75 miles from Indianapolis. There is a family here by the name of KNOX, whose parents moved from near Reedy Branch, a Free Will Baptist church, about five miles southwest of Greenville, Pitt county, in 1836, 77 years ago, 18 years before I was born. Mr. Hosea KNOX of Pitt county, N. C. , married a widow ANDERSON, whose maiden name was EVANS. They left Pitt county in 1836 in a one-horse cart and a one-horse spring wagon, and settled in Randolph county, near the town of Spartanburg. Mr. John KNOX, one of the sons of Hosea KNOX, who is now in his 83rd year, was seven years of age when his father left North Carolina. He can remember hearing a Mr. HEARNE, a Free Will Baptist minister, preach at Reedy Branch church. He even remembered the text: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word as God."—John 11.

He also remembers his teacher's name, a Mr. DICKERSON who boarded in the Knox family. Mr. John KNOX has a wonderful memory for one his age. He remembers the pacoson, and says the run-a-way slaves often hid in the same. He climbed the small pines with other boys while at school at CHERRY'S schoolhouse near Reedy Branch church. He visited Hookerton, Greene county, N. C. , and remembers crossing a big creek between his father's home and Hookerton. Mr. John KNOX has a sister now in her 85th year. She married a Mr. Jerry HORN, who also came from Pitt county about the same time Mr. Hosea KNOX and family did. James C. KNOX, a younger brother of John, was a federal soldier and is now drawing a pension. One of the sisters of John KNOX married a Mr. James BOWEN, who lost a leg at the battle of Gettysburg. His widow is drawing a pension.

Mr. John KNOX, his brother Hosea and four sisters are members of the Christian church, (Disciples). Mr. J. C. KNOX is not a member of any church, but is a staunch member of the Odd Fellows.

It has been about fourteen years since I visited my native state and meeting people from the southern clime revives old memories and takes me back to the long ago when, in my boyhood glee, I roamed fields and forests, fished froliced, hunted and labored under a southern sky. How swift the years roll by, how fleeting the days! The long ago seems so short, when in comparison to eternity. Life here is short, uncertain, one can live it but once, it is irretraceable, continuous and rapid. "So teach us to number our days that we may get us a heart of wisdom." Psalms 90:12 R. W. STANCILL

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# John H. Mills Letter

The following is an undated letter found in AUD 6.99, NC State Auditors Pension Bureau correspondence, NC State Archives. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

To the Auditor of North Carolina
Dear sir
I was born in Pitt County North Carolina and Volunteered in Co E 55th N. C. Reg in Cooks Brigade Heaths Division Hill Corps and was wounded at Spotsilvia and lost my Right Arm at shoulder(.) I hear that my old state has made an appropiation for her criples of the war pleas give me some infermation about the matter as soon as you get my letter(.) I mooved to sc in 1867 any other infermation wanted let me Know & I will fernish it cheerfully & c
Your Respectfully John H MILLS Honey HILL SC

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# Murders in Pitt County

From old newspapers, contributed by Roger Kammerer.

**Haddock Family Murder**

On Tuesday morning, May 2nd, as a friend informs us, a most revolting murder took place in Pitt county eight miles below Greenville. The particulars of the murder are in brief that there was a fued of long standing between two brothers, William and Henry HADDOCK, the cause of which we are not informed. On Monday Henry HADDOCK was in Greenville and was seen after eleven o'clock at night on the streets in an intoxicated condition, and on Tuesday morning about sunrise he went to his brothers house. He was met at the door by his brother's wife (Mr. Wm. HADDOCK being absent attending to his duties on the farm) and immediately knocked her down and began beating her. The children, attracted by her cries, ran to her rescue, when he hurled them violently against the wall. At this juncture of affairs Mr. William HADDOCK came in and attempted to stop his brother in a hand to hand conflict without effect, and seeing that his uncle was beating both his father and mother, the little son. aged twelve years, raised his shotgun, took deliberate aim, fired and killed his uncle. One of the shot took effect in his right temple and two in his neck. He only lived about an hour after being shot. A coroner's inquest was held and a verdict of justifiable homicide was rendered. Both the brothers are in good circumstances, and of respectable families, and the sad event has cast a gloom over both families and their friends

[*Wilson Advance*, May 12, 1882]

**Murder of William Norris**

We learn from a friend in Pitt the following particulars of a homicide committed in Pitt county near Farmville on the night of the 7th inst. Mr. Henry ELKS having had his house broken open a short time ago and robbed of sundry articles suspicioned a man by the name of Wm. NORRIS as being the perpetrator. A search warrant was obtained and the stolen goods found upon the premises of NORRIS. He was arrested and carried before James W. MOY, Justice of the Peace, and the evidence of his guilt was so clearly established that he was required to give bond for his appearance at the next term of Superior Court. Failing in this , a guard was ordered to take him to jail. As he passed his house he asked to be allowed to step in and get some bed clothing to take with him. Upon his entrance into the house, he seized a double barrel gun, cocked both barrels and presented it at the officer of the guard, threatening to kill him if he did not leave his yard. The officer seized the gun, which fortunately was not loaded, and took it from him. NORRIS then attempted to make his escape and refusing to halt after having been ordered three times to do so, by the officer, orders were given to the guard to fire upon him. The order was promptly obeyed and NORRIS was almost instantly killed. NORRIS is said to have been a man of notoriously bad character and but little regret is expressed at his death.

[*Tarboro Southerner*, Jan. 12, 1871]

**Murder of John Cox**

A man named John VINCENT, having an affray with a John COX, near Greenville, on the 13th inst. the former inflicted several mortal stabs on the later, of which wounds COX died in a few minutes. VINCENT was immediately arrested and confined in the Greenville jail to await his trial.

[*N. C. Free Press* (Tarboro), Aug. 29, 1835]

**Wiley Smith Killed Thomas Smith**

Shocking murder, we learn from the Kinston ADVOCATE, occurred in Pitt county on the 9th ult.. Wiley SMITH assaulted Thomas SMITH, without any provocation and finally gave him a blow with a spade which caused his death about 2 weeks thereafter. Wiley SMITH attempted to escape, but was apprehended at the depot at Kinston week before last and lodged in the Lenoir county jail to await the action of authorities of Pitt county.

[*American Eagle* (Louisburg, NC), Nov. 6, 1858]

**Silas Everitt Killed**

A private letter to the Wilson PLAINDEALER from Pitt county says; "Sunday night last Ed. WILLIAMS shot and killed Mr. Silas EVERITT, in Contentnea Township, WILLIAMS has been arrested." The same letter says: "Owing to the scarcity of labor, I do not think that this county will be able to plant much more than half as much cotton as last year. It is thought that from 500 to 700 negroes have left the county—gone South to work in turpentine."

[*Tarboro Southerner*, Feb. 8, 1872]

**J. H. Smith and Abner Slaughter Fight to the Death**

**Two Men Fight to Death**— Quarrel Over A Bit of Land and Die Within 5 Feet of Each Other

Tragedies are not unknown to Pitt county, but perhaps the most terrible ever occurring within her borders was that which took place out in Swift Creek township early last Wednesday morning. The startling intelligence reached Greenville between 10 and 11 o'clock that J. H. SMITH and Abner SLAUGHTER, living about eleven miles from town— neighbors, well-to-do farmers, men of families and both much esteemed citizens— had engaged in a personal difficulty and both lay dead upon the scene of altercation. Coroner W. E. WARREN was notified, summoned a jury and repaired to the scene, and began an inquest about 1 o'clock. The cause of this bloody combat that cost two good men their lives and held another in prison for trial, made two widows and five orphans, and carried great sorrow and trouble into oh so many homes of their large family connection, was the disputed ownership of a little piece of woods land— about 10 acres, or possibly a little over— that lay near SlAUGHTER'S house. Both men claimed it and had on different occasions had some words about it. They lived about a third of a mile apart on opposite sides of the road. SLAUGHTER went upon the disputed land on Tuesday, with two young men working for him, and cut some rails to make a hog pen. Wednesday morning they went back to finish the work and to cut up into wood the tops and portions of the felled trees not split into rails. It was at this time the difficulty occurred.

How the encounter took place , which ended in the death of both men, was told by the three witnesses examined before the Coroner. They were G. F. SMITH, J. A. HARDY and G. F. SUTTON— the first named being a brother of J. H. SMITH, the last two being the young men at work with SLAUGHTER. G. F. SMITH said in substance that he was passing the road with his brother J. H. SMITH, and his brother remarked that SLAUGHTER was at work on his land and asked him to walk over there with him . He advised his brother not to go as it might occasion a difficulty. Arriving where SLAUGHTER was at work some words passed between J. H. SMITH and the latter about having forbidden each other to work or enter upon the land. SMITH ordered the work stopped at once, but SLAUGHTER ordered his hands to go on with their work and raised his own axe to continue cutting on the tree. SMITH shot SLAUGHTER immediately with a pistol, SLAUGHTER drew a pistol and returned the fire, and the two men clinched , discharging their pistols into each other as fast as they could shoot. Witness [SMITH] said he went up to separate them, when SLAUGHTER snapped his pistol at him and he struck SLAUGHTER on the head with a rod of iron he was taking home to mend from his mill. Seeing his brother fall he left SLAUGHTER and went to his side.

The testimony of the other two witnesses was substantially the same as SMITH'S as to the words about forbidding each other entering upon the land and as to the shooting, but both said they did not see SLAUGHTER snap his pistol at G. F. SMITH, and that the latter went up to the combatants striking SLAUGHTER several blows with the iron , and showing no disposition to separate them. Witness HARDY said that after J. H. SMITH fell, G. F. SMITH and SLAUGHTER tusselled over the piece of iron until SLAUGHTER also fell. Neither lived but a short while. What a heart-rendering spectacle that was, two men lying dead within 5 feet of each other, their lives sacrificed over so small a matter.

Dr. F. W. BROWN made a post mortem examination of the bodies. SMITH was struck with three bullets and grazed with a fourth., while SLAUGHTER was struck with three bullets and had two cuts on the head from blows. The bullets in both men struck vital parts and were the cause of death. The Coroners Jury was composed of W. L. COBB, B. F. SUGG, G. E. HARRIS, W. L. BROWN, S. T. HOOKER and W. B. JAMES. They rendered a verdict as to each body; in one case that " J. H. SMITH came to his death from pistol shots at the hand of Abner SLAUGHTER," and in the other case that "Abner SLAUGHTER

came to his death from pistol shots at the hand of J. H. SMITH, and that G. F. SMITH be held as an accomplice" G. F. SMITH was brought by the Constable of the township to Greenville and placed in jail.

The body of Mr. SLAUGHTER was buried on Thursday afternoon, and that of Mr. SMITH on Friday. The former leaves a wife and four children, three of them quite small; and the later leaves a wife and infant. The REFLECTOR is truly sorry for and deeply sympathizes with all affected by this sad tragedy. Oh, that men would take warning from such deeds and settle their differences amicably, without resorting to such violence as to hurl their own lives to destruction and engulf in grief and trouble all who are near and dear to them. No occurrence in the county has caused more excitement than this. May the like never happen again.

[*Eastern Reflector* (Greenville) Wed., Nov. 22, 1893]

# Petition To Annex, Dobbs to Pitt, 1790

The following is found in the NC General Assembly papers, under Laws of N. C. 1790, Petitions. It is mistitled "Petition to Ennex part of the County of Pitt. In Senate 4 Decr 1790 read and referred to the Committee for dividing the County of Caswell. Haywood." This petition concerns Dobbs and Pitt Counties, not Caswell County. This is from a typed transcription contributed by Grace Turner.

We your petitioners Humbley Sheweth, that Enaxing apart of the County of Dobbs, to the County of Pitt would lend gratley to the ease and Conveniency of your petitioners and Settle a number of Disputes Conserning that part of the Boundery line of aforesaid Counties, as there is at present, part of a publick Road in Dispute and not in passable order, as neither of the County works thereon and we Beleive that no person living Knows the line we Further beg leave to Inform your Honerable body that the line was never laid and agreable to the Intent and meaning of the act of assembley as it was laid out at Randon, the line is Very Crooked and Runs no natural Boundery The Distance to the Differient publick Buildings will Represented oppositt Each Subscribers name——

We therefore pray your Honerable Body would Take the matter in Consideration and Ennix that part of Dobbs County within the Following Boundery to the County of Pitt that is to Say Begining at William ROUNTREEs old mill and Run a Dorect line to Poll Catt Swamp Including Benjamin PARIMOORs plantation on Said Swamp then a Direct line to Sandy Run Swamp Including Titus CARRs plantation and then with Said Swamp to the line of aforesaid Counties then with the line to the Begining and we your petitioners as in Duty Bound will Ever pray——

| | to Dobbs Court house | to Pitt Court house |
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| William Darden | 22 Miles | 12 Miles |
| Henry Taylor | 20 Miles | 12 Miles |
| William Forrest | 20 Miles | 12 Mils |
| John Taylor | 18 Miles | 13 Miles |
| Benjamin (his mark) Parimore | 18 Miles | 13 Miles |
| Cornealius Rawls | 20 Miles | 12 Miles |
| Lucrefey (his (?) mark) hart | 20 Miles | 12 Miles |
| Nathan Hart | 21 Miles | 11 Miles |
| Titus Carr | 22 Miles | 12 Miles |
| Wm Smith | 20 Miles | 13 Miles |
| Caleb Spivey | 21 Miles | 11 Miles |
| Ephriam Spivey | 21 Do | 11 Do |
| William (his mark) Turnage | 22 Do | 11 Do |

# Pitt County Wills

## Will of David Adams, 1846

From Pitt County Wills, NC Archives, CR.079, 801.1 . Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

in the name of god amen I David ADAMS of the county of pitt and state of North carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blesed be god do this the 29th day of July in the year of our lord one thousand Eight hunded and forty six make and publish this my last will and testament in maner and form as follows that is to say
first I lend unto my beloved wife Argent ADAMS her lifetime or widow hood all my home sted land and plantation one negro man name big Joe also one name Shade and little Joe and amy and Lewey and her child rose also one black mare and all my stock of all description after my three yongest daughters getes ther part also all my plantation tools of Every kind two carts and wagon blacksmith tools house hold and kitchen fir natur of Evry kind also all my provisions Either in the house or in the field at my death also all my money and notes at my death
Secondly I give and bequeath un to my daughter polly ADAMS one negroe boy cald big Simon two cows and calves bed bed stid and firnature
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter argent ADAMS one negro boy cald litle Simon also two cows and calves one bed and bedstid and firnatur
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Esther ADAMS one negro boy cald charles als two cows and calves one bed bedstid and firnature I tim I have given my son Bryant ADAMS one peace of land all reddy and I Shant give him no more
Also I lend unto my son Jesse ADAMS all my seeder swamp land as long as he sees fit to live on the Said land then I give the Said to the hears of his boddy to be equally devided between them also I give and bequeath unto my son David ADAMS my homested land and plantation after the death or widowhood of his mother also I giv him my horse henry and my new cart wheels and Iron and boxes also my blacksmith tools and the remnent of all my tools and stock of every decription after the death or widowhood of his mother Item I gave him one bed bedstid and firnature Item I gave unto Son Churchel ADAMS all my contentney creek land One bed and firnature and I leave the rest of my property not named in My will to be Equally devided betwen my nine Children Lovey CHAPMAN Sally ROACH Clarricy SMITH Lydia GASKINS David ADAMS Churchel ADAMS polly ADAMS Argent ADAMS Esther ADAMS and I herebey make and ordane my son in law Lewis SMITH and my son Churchel ADAMS Executor of this my last will and testament in witness where I the Said David ADAMS have to this my last will and testamen set my hand and seal the day and date first above rittin Signed Sealed published and declared by the said David ADAMS the testator as his last will and testament in the presance of us ho was presant at the time of Signing and Sealing ther of
Attes
Firnaford CHAPMAN David ADAMS (Seal)
Washington VENTERS

## Will of James Braddy, 1845

From photocopy of the original "True Copy" at North Carolina Archives, CR.099, Box 801.2. Contributed by Don Cooper of Nashville, NC. Transcribed by Elizabeth Ross. [Editor's note: The will mentions six children, but the text of the will names only five.]

The last Will & Testament of James BRADDY Deced

In the name of God Amen, I James BRADDY of the County of Pitt & State of North Carolina being of Sound mind and memory but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existance do make & declare this my last will & Testatment in manner and form following that is to Say First I leave to my beloved wife Lowey BRADDY all of my land which I now hold. Also three negroes, one by the name of Ben one

by the name of Starling & the other by the name of Tincy Two Choice horses one Cart & Gear four Ploughs two daggons [?} & two flutes & two Sets of plough gear & Carryall & Harness & a full years allowance for herself & family one Cow & Calf her Choice four Sows & pigs & Twelve Shoats & one dutchfan & Sythe all of my Sheep all of the poultry & all of the household & Kitchen furniture & one Spade & Shovel excepting five feather beds which I Shall give to my Children
Secondly, I give to my beloved Son Robert H W BRADDY one feather bed & furniture also one trunk price three Dollars & fifth-cents
I give unto my Son Josephus BRADDY one feather Bed & furniture & one trunk price three dollars & fifty-cents
I give to my beloved duahgter Christchany E BRADDY one feather bed & furniture & one trunk price three Dollars & fifty-cents
I give to my daughter Clemmy A BRADDY one bed & furniture & one trunk price three dollars & fifty-cents
I give to my Son Edmond R BRADDY one feather Bed & furniture & one trunk price three Dollars & fifty-cents
Item. My Will & desire that all the residue of my estate if any after takeing out the devises & bequeaths above mentioned Shall be Sold and the debts owing to me Collected & if there Should be any Surplus over and above the payment of debts expences and legacies, that Such Surplus Shall be equally divided amony my Six children in equal proportions Share & Share alike to them & each & every of them executors administrators & assigns absolutely forever
Item. My will & desire is that all the property which I have loaned to my beloved wife at her death Shall be Sold & the money to be divided equally among my Six Children, to them & their heirs forever, And I do hereby Contitute & appoint my two Sons Robert H W BRADDY & Josephus BRADDY my lawful executors to all intents & purposes to execute this my last will & Testament according to the true intent & meaning of the Same & every part & every Clause thereof hereby revokeing & declaring utterly void all other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the Said James BRADDY do hereunto Set my hand & Seal This July 28the day A.D. 1845

James BRADDY {Seal}

[No witnesses shown]

State of North Carolina
Pitt County

I Henry SHEPPARD Clerk of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Session of the County aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true and perfect copy of the last will & Testament of James BRADDY Deced as taken from the record of our Said Court & which Said record has been burnt by the burning of the Court House

H SHEPPARD Clerk
By M G CHERRY, DC

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## Distressing Casualty

As the wife of Mr. David LANGLEY, who resides in Pitt County, in the vicinity of Pactolus, was walking in her garden, on the evening of the 20th inst. she was struck by lightning and instantly killed. The electric fluid seems to have divided as it approached the earth, striking the limb of a small tree directly above Mrs. LANGLEY, killing her and two hogs that were confined in a pen nearby, passing on and striking a tree forty yards distant, stunning several negroes that were contiguous. The deceased was an amiable woman in all the relations of life, a kind neighbor, a fond mother and an affectionate companion. She has left a husband and two children.

(*North State Whig*, Washington, NC, July 4, 1844)

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# Miscellany From Ed Harrington's Old Notebook

The following is from a typewritten page found in the J. L. Jackson Papers, Sheppard Memorial Library, Greenville, NC. Jackson noted that there were some inaccuracies in the dates and it appears that dates from an old Harrington Bible were copied. Brackets are by Roger Kammerer.

Jesse M. Harrington born Mar. 20, 1903, died May 26, 1905
Walter G. Harrington b. May 10, 1905
T. N. Manning d. Mar. 23, 1911 (He was born Feb. 16, 1835)
Trissie Manning died April 11, 1913
Moses Harrington died Aug. 1, 1844
James L. Harrington died May 3, 1863
Sarah Ann Harrington born Aug. 23, 1838
Moses V. Harrington and Becky Page married Sept. 5, 1833
Mary A. Harrington born ____19, 1836
Lewis Harrington born April 29, 1841
James L. Harrington, son of Moses and Rhoda born Feb. 25, 1817 [37?]
Moses Harrington born Feb. 6, 1789, died Aug. 1, 1844
Charles Turnage born Jan. 1, 1836
James L. Harrington killed at Battle of Chancellorsville May 3, 1863
Lewis W. Harrington Killed at Bristol Station Oct. 14, 1863
Moses and Rhoda Harrington married Sept. 5, 1833
Paul Harrington born Aug. 26, 1753
Luke McLawhon died Aug. 9, 1911
Mary A. Turnage died Nov. 17, 1906 (The wife of Charles Turnage)

John J. Smith died April 6, 1911
J. R. McLawhon died Jan. 12, 1911
E. B. McLawhon died Feb. 18, 1908 (Elias)
Walter Harrington, Jr. born May 16, 1905
Charles Turnage died April 30, 1902
Mary McLawhon Aug. 7, 1844 (or 1944)
Rev. T. E. Peters died Feb. 13, 1911
J. J. Harris died Jan. 25, 1913
S. S. Jackson died Dec. 2, 1912
Jackson Jones Sept. 15, 1912
Alvaney Harrington Sept. 27, 1912
Trish Manning died May 13, 1913
James L. Buck died July 14, 1913
Susan Heath died July 22, 1913
Mary Harrington Aug. 14, 1913
Louis Johnson died Oct. 25, 1914
Joab Harrington died Mar. 13, 1915

Elisnus (?) Turnage died Mar. 18, 1915
James Hines died Dec. 24, 1916
Richard Jackson died Jan. 16, 1917
Craven Sumrell died Mar. 27, 1920
Nancy Braxton died Dec. 18, 1921
J. A. Harrington died Nov. 22, 1921
Polly Harrington died May 25, 1916
Penny Harrington died April 25, 1916
Anny (Amy?) Rogers died Mar. 21, 1916
Martha McLawhon died April 2, 1918
John McLawhon died April 14, 1916
Nancy Harrington, wife of Henry, died July 26, 1915
R. B. Sumrell died Jan. 4, 1916
Jerry McLawhon died Jan. 15, 1915
John Garris died Aug. 18, 1916
Susan Jackson died Aug. 26, 1909
Tish Manning died Oct. 1, 1915

## Two Killed By Lightning

Farmville, May 5. — K. W. WAINRIGHT, 74, and Mrs. David BROCK, 42, were killed by a bolt of lightning which struck into a party near here yesterday afternoon. The others were stunned and injured, but will recover. (*Kinston Daily Free Press*, May 5, 1915)

# NC Supreme Court

## Case #3155 Carroll vs. Hancock et al. 1856

From the originals in the North Carolina Division of Archives and History, Supreme Court Case #3155. Feby. Term 1856. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

Answer to the foregoing petition by Allen JACKSON, Amariah B. COX et als.

State of North Carolina — Court of Pleas and Quarter
Pitt County — sessions. Feby Term 1856

The joint and separate answer of John HANCOCK Barnes J. SUMMERELL Amariah B. COX, Allen JACKSON and Nancy HARRINGTON defendants, to the petition of Rhoderick CARROLL plaintiff. These defendants reserving to themselves all right of exception to the said bill of complaint for answer thereto saith, That it is not true as alleged in said petition that the plaintiff is a tenant in common with them of the negroes mentioned in plaintiffs petition, but upon the contrary, the defendants deny that the plaintiff has any interest in said negroes whatever; Defendants answering saith that they are the only tenants in common of said slaves by virtue of certain deeds of conveyance or bills of sale to them executed, by Joab HARRINGTON for a good and valuable consideration, in said deeds contained reference to which is hereby had and said defendants ask may be considered as part of this their answer when produced which they are ready to do when required by this worshipful county — The defendants further answering say that said Joab HARRINGTON at the time of the execution of said deeds had the complete and absolute title in said slaves by reason of his intermarrying with Zilpha HARRINGTON, a daughter of William HADDOCK, dec'd. who in & by his last will and testament which hath been duly admitted to probate in the County Court of Pitt, bequeathed to the said Zilpha HARRINGTON by the second item in said will a negro woman by the name of CHANCE in the words following "Item. I lend unto my beloved wife Martha HADDOCK my dwelling house and plantation whereon I now live and three feather beds and furniture also the rest of my household furniture, also one negro woman named CHANCE and one boy named MOSES and all my stock of cattle and hogs during her natural life and also my will and desire is that after the death of my wife for Zilpha HARRINGTON to have the negro woman Chance that I lent to my wife, to her and her heirs forever, also my desire is that CHANCEs increse if she has any to be given to Zilpha HARRINGTONs daughters after her decease", a copy of said will is filed as part of this answer. The Exr. apointed to the legacies in said will. The defendants further answering say that the negroes mentioned in the plaintiffs petition are the children of negro woman CHANCE and all of which were born after the death of the Testator. Two of them to wit. BEN ___ [and?] JOE are believed to have been born before the death of Martha, the widow of the Testator, and the other after her death and as such the defendants answer that they are advised and believe that the said negroes were the absolute property of the said Joab HARRINGTON by reason of his said marriage with the said Zilpha. The defendants further answer that Martha HADDOCK departed this life in the year of our Lord 1830, long before the death of the said Zilpha Harrington. Defendants answering admit that the plaintiff intermarried with Elizabeth a daughter of the said Zilpha and that she is dead and the plaintiff is her administrator and that she died after the said Zilpha. The said Zilpha died in 18_5 [1835 or 1855?]. The defendants denying the allegations of the Plaintiff petition &c prays to be hence dismissed, with his reasonable costs and charges in this behalf most wrongfully sustained.

W. B. Rodman &
J. F. Wooten — For Defts

A copy of the will &c
The last will and testament of William HADDOCK
Nov. 1st 1821

In the name of God Amen I William HADDOCK of the County of Pitt and State of North Carolina being weak in body but sound in mind and memory but calling to mind the mortality of mankind do make and ordain this my last will and testament in form and manner following; my will & desire is that all my lawful debts and funeral charges be paid.

Item. I lend unto my well beloved wife Martha HADDOCK my dwelling house and plantation whereon I now live and three feather beds and furniture, also the rest of my household furniture, also one negro woman named CHANCE and one negro boy named MOSES and all my Stock of cattle and hogs during her natural life and also my will and desire is that after the death of my Wife, for Zilpha HARRINGTON to have the negro woman CHANCE that I lent to my wife, to her and her heirs forever and also my desire is that CHANCEs increase, if she has any, to be given to Zilpha HARRINGTON's daughters after her decease.
Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Hardee HADDOCK one feather bed and furniture to him and his heirs and assigns forever.
Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy HADOCK one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs and assigns forever.
Item. I give and bequeath unto the heirs of John HADDOCK five dollars to them and their heirs & assigns forever.
Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Charles HADDOCK five dollars to him, his heirs and assigns forever.
Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Wetherington HADDOCK five dollars to him his heirs and assigns forever.
Item. I give and bequeath to my son Frederick HADDOCK five dollars to him his heirs and assign forever, and further my will and desire is that after all my debts is paid that the remaider parts to be equally divided among my six children not yet mentioned in the will to wit my son Luke HADDOCK, My son William HADDOCK, my son Zachariah HADDOCK, my son Hardee HADDOCK, my daughter Nancy HADDOCK and my daughter Desiah SUTTON, to them, their heirs and assigns forever, and I do hereby appoint, constitute make and ordain my son Frederick HADDOCK and Jacob HARRINGTON to be my whole and sole executors to this my last will and testament and I do hereby revoke and disannul every other will or wills by me in any wise made ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament; in witness hereof I hereunto have set my hand & affixed my seal — this 16th day of September 1821

In presence of
Jas RINGGOLD
Jesse COX

his
William X HADDOCK {Seal}
mark

March 5th 1856, I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the last will and testament of William HADDOCK as recorded in my office. H. SHEPPARD Clerk

In this case upon the hearing of the petition and answer, it is adjudged by the Court that the prayer of the petitioner be granted from which order the defendants crave and appeal to the superior Court which is granted, bond waived

State of North Carolina
Pitt County

I Henry SHEPPARD Clerk of the court of Pleas & Quarter sessions for the county aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings in suit, Rhoderick CARROLL administrator vs. John HANCOCK & others.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Greenville this 14th day of February A.D. 1856
H. SHEPPARD Clk

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## Death of C. M. A. GRIFFIN of Grifton, N. C.

A telegram was received here yesterday announcing the sudden death of Mr. C. M. A. GRIFFIN, the previous night. Mr. GRIFFIN was one of the best known citizens of Pitt county, and was the pioneer of local steam transportation for the upper part of Neuse River. He leaves a wife and several children. He was a relative of Mr. Moses GRIFFIN, the widely known founder of the GRIFFIN Free School.

(*New Bern Daily Journal*, Friday, Aug. 26, 1892)

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# Soldiers' Petitions: Gen. Assembly, 1804

From originals in the North Carolina Division of Archives and History, Raleigh, NC, Series: Gen. Assembly, 1804 Petitions. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

**Christopher MORNING**

To the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina.
The petition of Christopher MORNING humbly sheweth: that your petitioner was a soldier in the Militia from Pitt County during the revolutionary War under Captn. Godfrey STANSIL and was ordered under Col'l. WADE: —your petitioner further shates that at a Battle fought at Cuwhiffle [???] in the piney bottom, he received a wound, in his elbow, Occasioned by One bullet four Goose shot: and two wads: this circumstance happened in the year 1781. Since which time to the present day your petitioner have not been able to raise his arm to his face, being stiff and measurable perished away:
Your petitioner further states that previous to this misfortune he was in good circumstances, was able to support his family sufficiently satisfactory: but now is reduced to indigence & Want, owing entirely to the wound which he received in his Country's cause — your petitioner therefore prays your honorable body to adopt a resolution directing your petitioner to be placed on the pension list of this state: and he is in duty bound will ever pray &c.

Christopher MORNING

**Solomon CARR**

State of North Carolina Pitt County

Personally appeared before me Robert WILLIAMS one of the Justices for said County Solomon CARR & made Oath that he served as a Soldier in the Continental Line of this State in the Revolutionary war, that after being discharged from the Service he removed to the State of Virginia where most of his friends resided, that he knew nothing of his pay or how it was to be obtained, but his Capt. Viz. John MACON obtained for him a Certificate at Warrenton for Seventy three pounds two shillings & five pence

That when the Board of Comissioners was again Established to reexamine the Warrenton Certificates he still resided in Virginia & knew nothing of it, that since, he applied to John MACON for his Certificate: & recieved from him a Warrenton Certificate which he has found to be of no value, & that he hath never known how or in what manner he could receive any reward for his services; his then living without the state, altho he now lives & hath for nine or ten years past in the State, & that he the said Solomon is informed that he stands fairly on the Muster Rool, & that he hath never sold or conveyed to any person or Persons whatsoever the said Certificate or any right tile Claim or Interest that he hath against the State for Said Certificate neither hath he ever Received a Cent for his pay or any other compensation except a Land Warrant

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 11th Novr 1804

Robt. WILLIAMS, J.P.

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Solomon X CARR
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## Death of Uncle Nathan Sanders

"Uncle Nathan" SANDERS, one of the oldest and most respected colored citizens in this section of the state died of old age at his home here Sunday after being unable to be up only a short time. His exact age is not known but he was thought to have been between 90 and 100 years old. He was a faithful old darkey and thought well of by everybody that knew him. He was buried Monday in the colored burial ground at Marlboro.

(*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Aug. 6, 1920)

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# Land Dispute on Conetoe Creek, 1783

Taken from Land Ejectments, New Bern District, DSCR, 206.403.1. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

State of North Carolina
Pitt County
In obedience to your Dedimus to us Directed we have well and truly Examined and taken the true testimony on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god of the Said James COBB as well on the Part of the Defendant as the Plantiff Viz: James COBB Deposeth and Sayeth that a certain William MAY Called on him to go with him to possession the lands within their orders they met at the house of John LITTLE the Son of Thomas LITTLE Decd. they called upon him to Shew his Line he went with them to a certain Redoak on Conetoe Creek a little above the bridge and Remarked a Line to the River a Small Distance below CELLARS old field Said Dipponent furthur Sayeth that he knows not of any authority he had to do so Likewise he dose not know that his Coleague had any authority to Call upon him for that purpose being both Illeterate men and further Sayeth Not.
the 10th Day of October 1783 came the above Dipponant before us and on the holy Evangelist of almighty God Deposited the above

Amos ATKINSON Robt GREMMER

State of North Carolina
Pitt County
In obedience to your Dedimus to us Directed we have well and truly Examined and taken the true testimony on the holy Evangelist of Almighty god of the Said George WALSTON as well on the Part of the Defendant as the Plantif Viz: George WALSTON being Sworn Deposeth and Sayeth he Ses I Did not See the Surveying of the Land which the Plantif is Contending for but a certain John LEE Shewed him a corner tree on the River bank near or a Little below opposite the mouth of EVANSES Creek at the mouth of a gut making out of the North Side of Tar River being a white oak and he ses further that he Shewed him the Line extending from the beginning to Conetoe Creek to a hickery on Said Creek above the mouth of Said LEES Spring Branch the Said Depponent further Sayeth that in his knowing that- Said LEE agreed with one Thomas CELLARS for Said Land which the Defendant now Claims the Said CELLARS Desputing the Said LEES Right to Said Land applyed to a certain Mr. FORBES Surveyor of the Said County to run the Line from the beginning till he being Satisfied that he was Settled on John LEES Land and forbid the Surveyor of Running any further the Said CELLARS Declining his purchace Left it yet to the Said LEE Sold Part of the Survey to George SUGG Senr. Decd. the other Part Sold to a certain James EDWARDS of Beaufort County the Said Sugg resigned to a certain William BRANTLY the Said William BRANTLY obtaining a Deed for Said Premises of John LEE the Said BRANTLY Sold it to a certain William MOSELY the Said MOSELY Sold it to a certain Daniel LAMB Daniel LAMB Dying without Issue the Said Land falling to the heirs at Law a certain John LAMB and by him Conveyed to Absalom RODGERS the Present Defendant in Said Cause the Said Dipponant further Sayeth Not-
the 16th Day of October 1783 Came the above Dipponent before us and on the holy Evangelist of almighty God Deposited the above

Amos ATKINSON Robt GREMMER

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## Death of Mrs. Ivey Smith

Our community was greatly shocked and saddened Wednesday when the news was heralded that Mrs. Ivey SMITH, of Bellarthur, was no more. She was a woman of Christian virtues and noble attributes and made friends of all with whom she came in contact. The remains were laid to rest on Thanksgiving Day, a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends witnessing the obsequies. The Enterprise joins with many friends in extending sincerest sympathy to the bereaved and heartbroken ones in this their hour of sorrow. Truly a good woman has gone to her reward.

(*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Dec. 1, 1916)

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# Alex Ogman, Former Slave Had Nineteen Wives

The following is a feature article which appeared in the Greenville *Daily Reflector*, Sept. 21, 1940.

"Not only does Alex OGMAN, Pitt county Negro, who gives his age as in his 90th year, appear to be hale and hearty, but he also expresses the wisdom of marriage, saying he is now living with his nineteenth wife and that they have a child three years old. OGMAN, who lives on the George LEWIS farm near Pactolus, was in Greenville this morning for the purpose of meeting three of his sons, whom he said were on furlough from the army. During the World War he said, he had fourteen sons serving in the armed forces of the country. Said to have been born on Sept. 7, 1851, in Johnston county, OGMAN was the slave of Calvin OGMAN. He says that as a boy of 15 years he well remembers the end of the Civil war when his master advised the slaves that they were free and at liberty to go their way as they desired. OGMAN says he has spent most of his time during the past 60 years in Pitt Co., and that as a farmer he can now do as good a day's work as anyone. He says he now has 40 living children, the oldest 67 years, and the youngest three years, the daughter of his present 18 year old wife. Constable Gus STOKES, who accompanied OGMAN to the newspaper office this morning, vouched for a part of OGMAN'S story, relating that nearly five years ago he was sent to arrest OGMAN for failure to send his 13 year old bride, his present wife, to school as required by the state school laws. He said that OGMAN had been in the section of the county between Grimesland and Pactolus, for a great many years and that the report of his age and his family was in keeping with general belief of those in the community who knew him."

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# Obituary of Standley Overton, 1879

From Zion's Landmark, Vol. xii, No. 6, Wilson, NC, Feb. 1, 1879. Contributed by Lida A. Overton.

Brother OVERTON was born March 28th, 1823, and was married to Hannah ROSS, the sister of William A. ROSS, Sep. 26th, 1844, and by her had 13 children, of which 8 are yet living, 4 sons and 4 daughters, though only 3 remain with the mother. He united with the church at Flat Swamp, Marting county, Saturday before the first Sunday in Sep. 1854, and was baptized the next day by William FILPOT. Soon after he was chosen deacon of the church and remained deacon uhtil his death. Brother OVERTON was a good husband, a good father, a good citizen, a good deacon, and a useful member, ever carrying out strict discipline, and will be greatly missed in the church. Brother OVERTON stood high in the church. He told the church a short time febore his death that he did not expect to remain with them long. He left home the 14th of Oct., took his little son with him and went down in the lower part of Martin county to Eli POWELL's to get some sheep that he had bought. He left home well and hearty, he stayed all night with Mr. POWELL, got up next morning early, went and fed his team, came back to the house and complained of giddiness in his head. Mr. POWELL asked him if he would take some brandy it might help him. He said to POWELL, I feel like I am drunk now. Then he went and washed his face and combed his head and then took a small drink, soon after it heaved him and he became very sick, he went to bed and soon called his son to him and told him to be a good boy and mind his mother, for it was death on him.

Mr. POWELL wanted to send for a doctor, but he would not consent for he said it was no use, but send after his wife, and never spoke any more. He lay on his back, and placed his hands in proper form. His wife got there and sent after a doctor, and he got there just before dark. The doctor turned him on his side and he immediately expired on the evening of the 15th of October 1878.

So a good man has left us but we feel assured that he is better off than those left behind to mourn him. May God be with his wife and children, and bear them up in their bereaved condition.

— Henry B. Roberson

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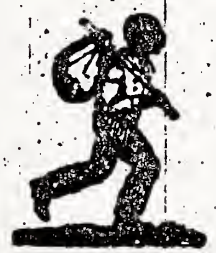
# Slave Runaway Notice

Runaway notices provide valuable descriptions and information which may facilitate tracing slave ownership in African-American research. This one is fairly typical of the format. PCGQ plans to transcribe a collection for a future issue. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

**30$ reward.**



RUNAWAY from the subscribers on the night of the 8th inst. Negro men

**Jacob & Jerry,**

each about five feet 9 or 10 inches in height.

JERRY had a broad face sullen aud down look and had on when he went off a white homespun Jacket and pantaloons.

JACOB generally wears a large beard and uncommon large whiskers has a bold and pleasant look and had on when he deserted, a suit of white negro cottons—it is probable he will dispose of his beard and whiskers to disguise himself—Jacob formerly belonged to the Estate of Miles Blount, dec'd. and having extensive relations and acquaintances in the vicinity of Washington, is likely with Jerry, lurking in that neighbourhood. The above Reward will be given for their apprehension and confinement in Beaufort County Jail, so that we get them, or Forty Dollars if delivered to us in Pitt County—and a proportionate sum for either.

Captains of vessels and all other persons are forwarned employing or harbouring them under the penalty of the law.

SIMON NOBLES,
SHEM TISON.

Greenville, Jan. 23, 1824. 3i427

*American Recorder*, Washington, NC, Feb. 20, 1824

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## Death of William Leggett.

One of Farmville's Oldest citizens; passes Wednesday From Stroke Paralysis.

On Wednesday morning at three o'clock Mr. William LEGGETT, age seventy six, of Farmville's oldest citizens passed away from this world of pain and grief. The aged man had been almost completely paralyzed for two weeks, death was welcomed as a blessing by him.

His funeral was conducted Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock by Rev. J. L. RUMLEY, of the Methodist church, pastor of the deceased. The remains were interred in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Mr. LEGGETT was born in Beaufort county, near Washington, in 1844. There the greater part of his life was spent until nineteen years ago when he came to Farmville. He resided here with his daughters, Mr. T. H. SMITH, who just recently died, and Mrs. J. N. EDWARDS, who also preceded him to the grave. Since the death of the former he resided with Mr. J. N. EDWARDS, his son-in-law, until his death.

The last several years his life has been clowded with sorrow. He had survived to see his wife and five of his six children pass away, leaving him to spend his declining years almost alone with the thought of his dead loved ones ever present. He was an upright and honest man, respected by all who knew him.

(*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Oct. 1, 1920)

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# QUERIES

Need proof that Samuel CORBITT of Pitt Co. is the same Samuel CORBITT that moved with his dad to Cumberland (Tenn.) and then disappeared after his father's death. My Samuel CORBITT of Pitt Co. was b. ca. 1786 and married 1st Lota _____ and 2nd Susan _____. According to census records, he d. between 1860 and 1879 [sic].
I believe Samuel of Pitt was the son of William CORBITT who moved from Pitt to Nashville, TN (then called "Cumberland") in 1788. William left older children Richard, Josiah and Meredith in NC and took his younger children, including Samuel, to Cumberland. A later child was born in Cumberland and named after the father [of William] left behind in NC. The older children in NC were left with grandparents and were eventually given family land on the Pitt/Edgecombe Co. line. The younger children got the TN land. In 1790 William sold some family land from Cumberland (Pitt Co. Db. M, p. 358). William's father, John CORBITT, signed the Pitt deed as William only had a life estate in it. When William died, Samuel received his share of Cumberland land, sold it to his younger brother John in 1817, and disappeared from the TN records. I think he returned to Pitt.
My Samuel starts buying Pitt land soon after the TN Samuel sold his Cumberland land. Some of the info is located in the Edge. Co. records. If you are interested in checking this out, or have any information to share, please call or write.
— Goldis REEL; 102 Havenstraat St.; Kernersville, NC 27284 (330-996-7004).

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Parents of Azariah McAFEE, b. 1793, who married Jane ASHBY, dau. of Halafax ASHBY and Jane HUDSON. Azariah served in the War of 1812 as a Pvt/Lt. in the 2nd NC Regiment under Col. Thomas BENTON, Capt. C. E. McEWEN, and 2nd Col. PILLOW. Azariah's wife, Jane, had 10 children (some by previous marriage to William BROWN, 21 June 1819, or Mills Nelson JOINER, 26 June 1823): 1) Amanda Jane, b. 1832, m. 1850 Doak HOOTS; 2) Emeline, b. 1832, m. 1851 David P. C. ALLEN; 3) Benjamin Franklin, b. 1836, m. 1859 Sara Jane BATES; 4) Mary Ann (Polly), b. 1837, m. 1852 Dan J. WATSON; 5) Martha Ann, b. 1838, m. 1870 James M. SANDERS; 6) Cynthia Cordellia, b. 1839, m. 1854 Greenberry Floyd ISOM; 7) Alex A., b. 1840, m. Eliza Grace _____; 8) Lutitia A. (Chloe), b. 1843, m. 1858 W. G. WAGONER; 9) George Washington, b. 1845, m. 1864 Elizabeth Darina HARDIN; 10) Thomas Wiley McAFEE, b. 1847 in Mt. Pleasant, Titus Co., [state name illeg.], m. 1860 Mary Fran, Hall [Hall surname?]; ch=John W W., Grace, Jenny and Byrd. [Editor's note: This query was difficult to read; if interpreted incorrectly, please advise. --ER]
—L. K. McAFEE; 12159 Huntington Park Street; Houston, TX 77099-3121 (281-495-4448)
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Would like information about the parents of George MOYE (b. 1722, d. 1800, m. Elizabeth GARDNER).
—Alice S. RICHMOND; 140 Pinecrest Road; Durham, NC 27705-5813 (919-489-0051
<RAKERICHMO@aol.com>

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Need name of the parents of Jonathan JACKSON who died in the Revolutionary War. Also need parents of Chole [sic] JACKSON. Also seek info. on Thomas LANGLEY and Samuel BALDREE.
—Gloria G. ELLER; 4709 Fairway Ave.; Virginia Beach, VA 23462-6401 (757-467-4507)

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Seeking information on a James SMITH born in Pitt County on July 1, 1768. James moved to Robeson Co., NC, around 1789 where he purchased land on the Great Swamp between Lumberton and Elizabethtown. His profession is listed as a Blacksmith. His wife's name was Esther, and they had 10 children. James died Oct. 6, 1855, and is buried in Robeson Co., NC.
—William James SMITH; 317 Oakwood Circle; Danville, VA 24541

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Looking for Samuel Savage COBB, Sr.: born apprx.1780's where?. died apprx. 1824, probably in Abbevile, SC. Samuel Savage COBB Jr.: born 5/8/1808 in Abbeville, SC. Died 10/22/1877 in Gonzales, Texas.
—Larry COBB; 14059 Trumball Street; Whittier, CA 90604-2502 (502 944-7413) <larrycobb@pacificnet.net>

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Seeking information on Daniel HEDGEPETH. Born abt. 1735. Died bef. 5 Jan. 1805, Wayne, NC. Any information will be appreciated.
—Robbie Sewell MOYE; 1703 Salem Church Road; Goldsboro, NC 27530-1258 (919-735-5896) <robbie@esn.net>

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My SUTTON leads to Solomon SUTTON but have not proved yet. SMITH family is William SMITH whose father thought to be Nicholas SMITH.The SMITHs can be traced back to Moore/Montgomery Co., NC. Both the SUTTON and SMITH families migrated to Lawrence and Franklin Co., MS between 1811-1817. Also, John LANG (m) Lucinda REYNOLDS in Lawrence Co., MS and had daughter Julia Ann LANG (m) James Harrison SUTTON.Any help will be appreciated. Thank you.
—Wanda ADAMS; 438 Vikki Lane; Mt. Morris, MI 48458-2439 (810-249-7856) <WAdams9679@aol.com>

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Would like to correspond with anyone interested in WHITLEY/WHEATLEY, BULLOCK, MEAN, MEAD, HOUSE, CRISP.
—Paul VANCE; 5263 E. Delta Ave.; Mesa, AZ 85206-2214 (602-832-5376) <pvance@futureone.com>

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Seek fellow descendants of Shadrack (Shade) and Mary Elizabeth (Eliza) Murphey WOOTEN of early 1800s in Pitt County near Johnston Mills.
—J. A. L. Miller, Jr.; 7912-H Harris Lane; Charlotte, NC 28269-0704 (704-549-5666) <JALMillerJr@Worldnet.att.net>

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Seeking info. on Samuel SMITH, d. Pitt Co. before 1806.
—Mary Smith FAY, CG, FASG; 5403 Beverly Hill Lane, No. 1; Houston, TX 77056-6918 (713-626-3005) <msfay@quik.com>

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Need marriage date of Matthew WARD and Famariah. About 1809 or earlier, in NC.
—Dora SANDERS; 711 14th Northwest; Miami, OK 74354 <Dsanders@RecTec.net>

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Need information on Jethro MURPHREY and also parentage of his wife, Penelope C. Ward (b. 1766).
—Dixie Ferris; 104 Maumee Court; Cary, NC 27513-5147 (919-469-0489)

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Seeking the parents and siblings of Absaly Ann Arcena BAKER, b. Nov. 23, 1835, in Pitt County, died before 1880 in Pitt County. She was married to Robert Thomas WILLOUGHBY. Her mother was a CARSON.
—Maxine N. MALONEY; 326 Habersham Road; Martinez, GA 30907 (706-860-8370) <mixinemal@aol.com>

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Would like to make contact with any WOOTEN family from Maryland. John WOOTTON gave his sister, Culett WOOTTON SERMAN, wife of Thomas SERMAN, 50 acres land called Chance on Mar. 8, 1734, land being in Somerset Co., MD. We believe Thomas and Culett moved to Beaufort Co., NC, by 1755.
—Jack A. SIRMAN; 4828 Shadeland Drive; Baton Rouge, LA 70816-6723 (225-752-1364)

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# Revolutionary War Papers

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State of North Carolina Pitt County
Personally Appeared Before me Mrs. Pherebe PHILIPS of Said County and maid oath in Due form that her Son Curtis PHILIPS is the Heir and Person Properally Entitled to a Millitary Land Warrant for the Services of Joseph PHILIPS who was a Contenental Soldier in the Revolutionary war and in the North Carolina Line. Given under my hand and Seal this 30 Day of June 1820
Sworn to and Subscribed Before me
Attest John BOWERS JP Pherebe PHILIPS (seal)

State of North Carolina Pitt County
We the Two Justices whose names are under Signed Do Certify to all whome it may Concern that Mrs. Pherebe PHILIPS of Said County is a woman of Credibility and Due faith and Credit has at all times here to for Been given to her Testimony as Such Given under our hands and seals this 30 Day of June 1820
John BOWERS JP (seal)
Gideon BYNUM JP (seal)

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I do hereby Certify that John BOWERS and Gideon BYNUM Esquires are acting Justices of the Peace of the County of Pitt and that faith and credit ought to be given their acts and deeds as such given under my hand and Seal of the Court at Office in Greenesville the 4th July 1820
Alexander EVANS clk

*Source: Secretary of State, Military Papers, 121.3, NC Archives*

State of North Carolina Pitt County
This day personally appeard before me William BOWERS Esquire one of the Justices of the peace in & for the County afore Said Willis LEWIS who being first Sworn on the holey Evangelist of Almighty god deposith and Saith that he was well acquainted with John DOWNS and that he knows that the Said John DOWNS did Enlist in the regular Service in the Revolutionary war in the North Carolina Line In testimoney where of I here unto Set my hand and Seal the ____day of July A.D. 1820
Wm BOWERS J.P. (seal)

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I William BOWERS one of the Justices of the peace in & for the County afore Said do here by Certify that the above Named Willis LEWIS is a Credible person & that full faith & Credit may and aut to be given to his testimoney In witness where of I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 19th day of July A.D. 1820
Wm BOWERS J.P. (seal)

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I do hereby Certify that William BOWERS Esquire is an acting Justices of the Peace of the County of Pitt and that faith and credit ought to be given to his acts and deeds as such given under my hand and Seal at Office in Greenesville the 21st July 1820
Alexander EVANS Clk

State of North Carolina Pitt County
This day personalley appeard before me William BOWERS Esquire one of the Justices of the peace in and for the County afore Said Willis LEWIS and Maketh oath that he is well acquainted with Willie DOWNS and Rebecah PRICE the Nephew and Niece of John DOWNS who served in the Revolutionarey war in the North Carolina line and the Said Willie DOWNS and Rebecah PRICE is the only heirs at Law of the afore Said John DOWNS Decst Sworn to before me the 19th day of July A.D. 1820
Wm BOWERS J.P. (seal)

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I William BOWERS one of the Justices of the peace in and for the County afore Said do here by Certify that the above Named Willis LEWIS is a Credible Witness In testimoney where of I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 19th day of July A.D. 1820

Wm BOWERS J.P. (seal)

*Source: Secretary of State, Military Papers, 313.9, NC Archives*

State of Tennessee Carter County November the 7th. 1802
Sirs my Husband who has been Dead Several years, left four Children who as well as my self is needy. My Husband Amos PARRAMORE was early enlisted into the army & Served Several years in the american army in the time of the Revelutionary war, he was first enlisted when an Inhabitant of Pitt County in North Carolina & returned by his officer in to the Continental line as I have been informed, & he Or any other Person has never Recd. any land warrants nor any other Compensation from the State of North Carolina for him, therefore I must Request the Special favor of you to draw the Land warrant or what ever may be coming To the heirs & my Self for his Services before it is barrd. by law & this Shall be your authority for So doing you can See when he was inlisted in to Survice & when out, my husband had lost one of his fingers before he went into the army Sir if the law requires any particular requisites of me Please to let me know, I am Sir your Humble Servt. Lyda (her mark) PARRIMORE

Sirs this old acquaintance Mrs. PARAMORE is the daughter of Mrs. CUNINGHAM who has long lived on bufloe below where Father formerly lived. I formerly knew Amos PARAMORE before he went into the army & I knew him after he came home & married this woman Sir She lives with her Mother & it would be a Charitable Act for you to attend to her business & you will oblidge a Number of People by So doing I am Sir Your friend

J. WILLIAMS

[Envelope]— —Thomas LOVE esquire
in the Assembly at Raleigh
N Carolina

Recd. this 6 Dec. 1802 from the Secretary's Office a Military Warrant in the name of Amos PARAMORE a Corpl. for 428 acres of land No.64. Thos. LOVE

*Source: Secretary of State, Military Papers, 5.1, NC Archives*

**List of Deserters from Beaufort and Pitt Counties**

A list of the Beaufort men from the Draft Who failed to apeare Kingston thurday 16th feberey 1779
Leftenont Daniel WHIT gun 1
Zedekiah MIXXEN gun 2
John WALLES gun 3
James CLARAK gun 4
George ECKEWLS gun 5
Two horse
one cart
one axx
3 Sourds

The men from Craven Regiment Who failed
Dodeley COWHOWEN gun 1
Thomas LEE gun 2
Jacob GANADS..gun 3

the men from Dobbs
Lewis GURLEY gun 1
William BASS gun 2

the men from Johnston
William TAILOR 1
Isaac hinton HILL gun 2
Jonas BIRD 3
Richard BALEY 4

David WIMPY gun 5
John EDWARDS 6

A man from Martin
William HISMITH gun 1

[On Back] Pitt
Josias HARDEE
Adml HADDOCK
Willm MILLS

*Source: General Assembly Session Records, May 1779, Misc. Records, NC Archives*

Pitt County 15th March 1820
We the Subscribers, residents of the County aforesaid have for many years been acquainted with Majr Abraham HARDEE of said County. He was an officer in the revolutionary war, and has since that period ever continued a faithful republican and friend to his country. Although for several years past he has not been in affluent circumstances, and from his advanced age unable to accumalate much to spare, yet he has always supported himself and family decently, and as well the character of an honest, liberal, and charitable man.

Joel DICKINSON
F. GORHAM

We the undersigned residing in the County of Pitt have been acquainted with Majr Abraham HARDEE from our Infancy, he was a commissioned officer in the Revolutionary War, and allways conducted himself with the greatest proprity, and supported the character of a Brave Man, and a faithful friend to his Country, which character he has ever since sustained. John HODGES
Pitt County 20th March 1820 John (his mark) KINSAUL
Benja HODGES
Lewis SPEIR
William SPEIR
James SPEIR

I Certify that Abraham HARDEE was in the Service in our Revolutionary war and believe was an officer, & has Since been a Major of the Militia of Pitt and a Justice of the Peace in said County. Robt WILLIAMS
24 March 1820

*Source: Secretary of State, Military Papers, 50.9, NC Archives.*

**Field Return The Pitt Regiment Militia**
Commanded by John Simpson, July 1 1779

George EVANS Esq. 1st Major
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# George Washington's Visit, 1791

From *New Bern Daily Journal,* Friday, May 1, 1891. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

"Interesting Events of his Trip to New Berne and Vicinity. Mementoes of the Occasion.

Ed. Journal:—The young lady who first suggested the centennial celebration of WASHINGTON's visit to New Berne is assuredly entitled to the thanks of our people as well as those who gave her such cordial aid. But as they intermixed the representation of historical events with romance, it is, perhaps, well, to give the scene as it actually occurred one hundred years in the past.

Of course we are all conscious that Mrs. WASHINGTON was at Mt. Vernon while WASHINGTON was here, and the ladies threw her in the picture merely to color it more deeply. Yet as we have had frequent enquiries on the subject quite recently and especially relative to the "One ALLEN" where Washington stopped over night previous to his arrival in New Berne. I will now, give the information desired as far as I possess it.

Mr. ALLEN's plantation was on the North side of the Neuse, about twenty miles from New Berne, and ten miles above Street's ferry, where our citizens first met WASHINGTON (to which he refers in his diary) and not far from Pitch Kettle.

This property is now and has been for many years known as the Cat Tail plantation. The first Mrs. Wm. B. WADSWORTH (he was married three times) was a Miss ALLEN, the granddaughter of the ALLEN that entertained Washington. She inherited this place. From her it descended to her husband, who held it and lived there a number of years. After her death, it was finally purchased by Mr. J. A. HANRAHAN, and is still in the possession of his widow, who resides there at the present time.

On this afternoon of the 22nd of April, just a century ago, a carriage wheeled through Mr. ALLEN's gate, followed by several gentlemen on horseback. When the character of the party was made known there was consternation and tumult on that farm as it was by reasonable to expect.

Even Lord ERSKINE in writing to WASHINGTON about that time or a few years later says: "You are the only human being for whom I ever felt as awful reverence." If such should be the fact with a nobleman associating daily with kings you can imagine the situation of a plain farmer when Washington unexpectedly and suddenly appeared at his door. But it was thrown back and the great man and his attendants were becomingly and hospitably received.

Mrs. ALLEN and her aids bestirring now themselves soon had prepared a good warm supper which the hungry guests much enjoyed.

In due time they retired, rested well and were up—refreshed and ready for an early start. Now for the breakfast. To make preparation for it Mrs. ALLEN and her servants had been up all night, and it was sufficiently excellent to tempt a president or a king—chickens fried and broiled, sausages fried and boiled, eggs in every way—in fact it was a breakfact and dinner combined. WASHINGTON himself, by request of Mr. ALLEN, asked the blessing, then looking over the heavily laden table drew up a plate of boiled eggs, took a single one,—making that, with bread and a cup of coffee—his breakfast. But when those with him left that table on that memorable morning they had amply shown their appreciation of Mrs. ALLENS efforts in their behalf.

When about to leave, WASHINGTON asked for the bill "Bill" replies ALLEN, "you can never make a bill at any house or for anything I can do for you." WASHINGTON, up to this time thought he was at a place of public entertainment.

The writer has often heard Mr. WADSWORTH repeat the single egg story accompanied with his hearty ringing laughter, and Mrs. ALLEN during her life never heard the last of it, though she enjoyed the joke, claiming glory enough any way in having had the honor of the great President and General as her quest.

It was through the influence of Richard Dobbs SPEIGHT (he was elected Govyrnor of North Carolina, the next year, 1792, and held the office until succeeded by Samuel Ashe of New Hanover, in 1795) that Washington was induced to visit New Berne. It was during the first year of his second term of the presidency. As a matter of fact, Mrs. SPEIGHT assisted him in receiving the citizens of New Berne in the

palace. She stood by him during the ceremony and danced with him the first minuet. This was about the last of WASHINGTON's dancing. There were then 61 years behind him and eight years before his death.

Mrs. SPEIGHT was the great grandmother of Mrs. Maggie NELSON and Mrs. James A. BRYAN. WASHINGTON occupied himself, the South Front room in Mr. BRYAN's present residence. When some years ago, unfortunately, the interior of the mansion was modernized, the writer obtained the hearthstone on which WASHINGTON stood when shaving himself, with the aid of a mirror over the mantel, and now has it in his own house having, had the old hearth removed and replaced with this slab.

The first brick was laid in the palace, the 26th of March, 1787, and it was finished in two years. When Tryon gave a reception and ball there of great splendor, British noblemen and officers of high position were present. Also our distinguished citizens, SPEIGHT, CASWELL and others who soon afterwards were our firmest and most actor patriots. Tryon and family occupied it but two years. It was burned on the night of the 27th of February, 1808—thus standing only 21 years. Our people were as prejudiced against it, there were but few regrets when it was destroyed.

Previous to leaving New Bern Washington addressed a letter to a committee appointed by the citizens to receive him of which F. X. MARTIN, afterwards Judge of one of the United States District Court in Louisiana was chairman. Before his departure to assume the duties of his office, he presented James G. STANLY, Esq., with the letter. It had no date but was written by WASHINGTON, himself in his clear plain writing and in very different style from his diary. The Hon. C. C. CLARK, before the war, was loaned by Mr. STANLY the letter, and had it printed in a paper he then owned and edited. He still has a copy of the paper containing the letter. Mrs. Susan J. STANLY also has a copy framed in her possession. The original letter was carried to Texas by Mr. STANLY's son and there lost. W."

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## ROBBER CAUGHT

*Daily Reflector*, Thursday, Sept. 17, 1908

John B. HARDY, the robber of Mr. Gus MILLS, was caught at Grifton Wednesday afternoon and brought here and placed in jail. Mr. W. C. HINES, who captured him, told us this morning that his dogs tracked him from the scene of the crime to the home of his father, Alfred HARDY, about a mile away. Old man HARDY met him at the door of the house and refused to let him search for the criminal. He had a shot gun and stated that he had just started out to help catch the robber as he had heard the dogs coming and knew that they were after him. Mr. HINES then took his dogs back to the scene of the crime and put them the scent again. They went right back to the same place. Then Mr. HINES came to Greenville, got a warrant and went down to Grifton on the 11 o'clock train., he having received information that HARDY had been seen going that way and was expected to try to board the train there and get away. The police at Grifton had been notified and they had HARDY under arrest when the train arrived. HARDY's shoes fitted the tracks around the scene of the crime. Alfred HARDY was arrested, but was released on bail.

## PETITION OF WM WHITFIELD OF PITT COUNTY

NC General Assembly Session Records, April-May 1780, House Joint Resolutions.

To the Honorable Assembly now setting in Newbern
The Pertition of Wm WHITFIELD most Humbly Shewth that your Honours Pertitioner being Very much Disabled in body & having a Charge of Children all small & of a Very Small Interest to support them on is Desirous that your Honours would take it into Consideration being present himself & seeing his Infirmity to give him a discharge from all publick Taxes is your own Judgements will plainly Demonsterate his Inability therefore Expecting a Complyence to my Request your Honours petitioner as in Duty bound shall Every Pray
April ye 16th: 1780 Wm WHITFIELD
[granted April 20, 1780]

# Murders in Pitt County

Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

## Murder of David Smith

From the John Herritage Bryan Papers, PC.6, Box 24; NC Archives, Raleigh, North Carolina.

According to a local tradition, a Sam RALSTON killed a David SMITH in Greenville about 1830. In the Recollections of Greenville in My Boyhood, by Tom C. DAVIS, which appeared in the *Eastern Reflector,* Oct. 4, 1901, Davis states . . . " It was on the hill near the gallows landing in a hut that Sam RALSTON killed Dave SMITH which caused at the time a great sensation. RALSTON escaped to the west and became very rich as a Sante Fe trader." These are undated lawyers' notes [brackets are by the editor].

"Case for Mr. BRYAN
Penny McDUEL — That on the 4th night of Feby she heard a noise outside of the door, She went to the door opened it and saw R[ALSTON] stab S[MITH] twice, that during the time that R[ALSTON] was stabbing, SMITH exclaimed RALSTON don't kill me. I owe you no harm and that R[ALSTON'S] reply was God d—m you dont speak a word and gave S[MITH] a fatal stab, that R[ALSTON] jumped at her with an instrument which he had in his hand about 12 inches long, and said to her that if she ever told it he would treat her in the same way, that S[MITH] made a spring to get in the house and jumped with his feet in and fell backwards.

Jno H. BURNEY — Slept in the room adjoining H J TOOLE, and was awakened in the night by a noise at Mr. TOOLES door. Heard Mr. R[ALSTON] exclaim, TOOLE I have Killed David SMITH and upon TOOLES denoting the fact, he repeated it and said that he had stabbed him, that S[MITH] had violently laid hold of him and pulled him out of bed, and he arose and killed him.

It is said that a person (unknown to me) was on the night SMITH was Killed walking toward the house, and when about twenty paces from the house he saw RALSTON stab S[MITH] and saw him fall, he immediately retreated and saw nothing more. As it is uncertain whether there is such evidence tho. we are assured it is so; We would like to have your opinion without this evidence and also with it. Jas K GREENE will prove that on the evening in question he loaned R[ALSTON] an orange stick, that the part of stick found there is a part of his stick. R[ALSTON] the next day declared in ALBRITTONS Tavern that he had not killed David SMITH, but had tried damned hard.
If two witnesses are summoned, they can prove that they on the day after SMITH was killed, saw something red and resembling blood on the lining of R[ALSTONS] coat.

Defence — Penny McDUEL on her examination before the Coroner, swore positively that she did not see any person commit the deed, and on a subsequent examination before the Magistrate she testified in the same manner, the Magistrate upon her refusing to swear that it was somebody, committed her to jail as an accessory, and doubtless beleived that she would be tried and punished. On Friday GREENE was examined and public opinion settled the matter down on RALSTON. And on Saturday evening R[ALSTON] testified as before stated, beside this, witnesses can be produced that will swear that they would not beleive her on her oath unless corroborated by other testimony. A Year or two since this woman swore a child with which she was then pregnant to a white man and when it was born it was black.

SMITH was a noisy quarrelsome man, was most always drunk and when drinking was annoysome to those with whom he had ever had disputes. In July last at HOYLES, R[ALSTON] and S[MITH] had some words and would have fought but for the intervention of Bye Standers. They were parted, R[ALSTON] cooled of and went to the tavern. S[MITH] after an hour or so followed him armed with a club and renewed the quarrel. On the night S[MITH] was killed and previous to his being Killed, a man by the name of NICHOLS was at the house where S[MITH] was subsequently Killed, NICHOLS was attacked in coming out of the house and wounded. When NICHOLS got up town he meets with S[mith] and tells him of his treatment. S[MITH] immediately replied I will go and see if they can serve me so and starts off in a run.

Questions...If R[ALSTON] told TOOLE on Tuesday night and T[OOLE] was employed next day can TOOLE be made to testify as to when he was employed and state what confessions were made to him

before he was so employed. Do you think the case bailable, if the Grand jury find a true bill, can the venue be changed to Beaufort without R[ALSTON] appearing in Open Court, or Could the Judge while on a circuit and not attending Pitt Court order the venue to be changed. If R[ALSTON] would appear and surrender to a judge could that Judge take bail."

## Martin (Mot) Galloway Shot John A. Hardee, 1886

Pitt Co. Coroners Inquests, 1886-1889, NC Archives, Raleigh, NC.

"Inquest over John A HARDEE in Chicod Township Pitt Co- 30

Ned SMITH testimony Dec 30, 18[8]6
the first time I Saw J A.HARDY was Runing Mot GALAWAY around the paling on the Back Side of mall the house out of my Site J A HARDY came Back on the oporsit Side of the Road and the next time I saw J A HARDY going towards his house and Mot was in his house with His gun in hand dor cursing J. A. HARDY and daring him to come in Side of his fence and I saw J A HARDY git over the fence and I Saw mot GALAWAY Snap a cap at J A HARDY and mot tried the other Barrel of his gun and it fired and kill J A HARDY
witness Ned (his mark) SMITH
Jno P REDDING

Verdict
We the geurs in the inquest over the boddy of Jno A HARDIE, come the conclusion that he came to his death by being Shot by a gun in the hands Martin GALAWAY. December 31, 1886
Miles X EDWARDS, Jas X GREEN, James L. WARREN, James R. WARREN, Jr, W. M. MORE, Jr ,
B. J. BIRDGES
Witness Jno P. REDDING Cor

James SPANE testimony Dec 30 18[8]6
and the first time I saw J. A. HARDY he was at mot GALAWAY house and I dont know wether the dore was open or no and mot & wife came Runing to the house and got the Baby out of the House and mot told J. A. HARDY to come out of his house and when J A HARDY came out he had a mawl on his sholder and J. A. HARDY Rund mot around the paling and down the Road and threw the mawl on the other Side of the Road and the last I Saw of him he was in the act of loading his gun and was cursing J A. HARDY and J. A. HARDY call me to Bare witness that mot GALAWAY was loading his gun for me J. A. HARDY and J A. HARDY Sed he was going to make friends with mot GALAWAY and ask me to go with him I told Him I did not have time and in a short time I herd the gun fire But did not See it
J H SPAIN
Jno P. REDDING Cor

[PAGE MISSING] ...I herd the dore Slam mot & wife came Runing to the House & orded him out Several times and the next time I Saw Mot GALAWAY was Runing Round the paling and J. A. HARDY was chasing him with a mawl on his Sholder and also Run him Down the Road a hundred or two yards and threw the mawl down and the next time I Saw him J A HARDY call me and Shode me mot GALAWAY loading his gun to Soot me with and the next I herd mot GALAWAY cursing and daring J A HARDY over the fence told him he wanted kill him if he cam over the fence in a Short time I Saw J A HARDY up the Road towards his house mot Still cursing and had pointed his gun towards the Road J A. HARDY Stope and ask mot if he was going to Shoot him in the Road and mot told him mot god dam him and the Road two But just come in Side of the fence and I will Shoot you and J H HARDY walk a few Steps farther and ask mat if he would not let him come in and Shake hands with him and mot told him no if he come in then or any other time he would kill him a god dam sun of bich and a few moments after I herd a cap Burst and herd mots wife Say dont kill him and then Saw him J H HARDY Runing towards mots hose and saw the gun fire and Saw J H HARDY fall to the grown and I dont think J. A. HARDY live fifteen or twenty minets after the gun fired
Witness W H (his mark) HADDOC
Jno P. REDDING Cor

Nancy DOSON testimony Dec 30
I Saw J A HARDY come to the Backdore of Mot GALAWAY house and struck the dore with a Stick But did not git in he came Round to the frunt dore and tuck a mall from under the house and Burn the dore open and about that time mot wife Rund in the House and got her Baby and mot come to the dore and told J A HARDY to come out of his house J A HARDY told him he would not and for him not to come in the house and Saw J A HARDY come out of the house with the moll in his hand and Rund after mot GALAWAY around the gardin and I Sept of a peace and when I came Back I saw mot Standin in his dore with his gun in his hand and mot was cursing J A HARDY and J A HARDY had Started home and then turn Round and came Back towards the house and as he got over the fence mot GALAWAY poped a cap at him and told him to not Shoot J A HARDY and By that time he had Shoot him J A HARDY Run Right on in the yard and turn to com out and the next time I saw him he was ded
Witness Nicy (her mark) DOSEN
Jno P. REDDING Cor

Evidence of N. W. CAMPBELL
I came up about the time or alittle after the breth left him I herd a gunn fire and herd ofel larm with Woman as I thought he J A HARDIE was at my house a few minutes be fore I found him ded I think he mite ave bin dangers a munts wiman or childran but I dont think he was amonts meen
Witness N. W. CAMPBELL
Jno P. REDDING Cor"

## Peter Hardee Killed Ben Frank Hardee

*Eastern Reflector*, Wednesday, March 6, 1895

"Ben Frank HARDEE and Peter HARDEE were two brothers who lived together with their sisters in Swift Creek Township. Saturday the boys went to Ayden, and on the way back home began quarelling as they rode together. There was no eye witnesses to what occurred along the way, but a man passing the same road later in the evening found Ben HARDEE up to his neck in water in the swamp. The man pulled Ben out of the water and found that he had a very dangerous cut in the abdomen. Ben told that his brother Peter stabbed him and when he fell out of the cart drove off and left him. The man carried Ben on home. Peter had been there and left his horse but immediately disappeared. Nothing was seen of him Saturday night, but he put in an appearance at the house Sunday and said he wanted a private talk with Ben. They had the talk and after that Ben told a different tale about how the cutting occurred, saying that he fell on his knife. Peter's head was badly beaten up and he says that Ben done it with a cart round. Ben died this morning and Peter is reported in a critical condition from the wounds on his head. These are the particulars gathered from people in town to day from the neighborhood in which the brothers lived and who were at the house yesterday. Dr. LAUGHINGHOUSE, Coroner, went down and held an inquest, the verdict of the jury is as follows: That Ben HARDEE came to his death from a knife wound inflicted by Peter HARDEE. The latter was committed to jail without bond."

## Brother Slays Brother

*Daily Reflector*, Monday, Oct. 7, 1907

"James JEFFERSON Killed by Thomas JEFFERSON

Information reached here today that James JEFFERSON was killed Sunday night by his brother, Thomas JEFFERSON, at their home near Fountain in the western portion of the county. The brothers were well to do men and lived together on the BYNUM plantation which they purchased some years ago. The particulars of the tragedy are meagre, the report being James JEFFERSON, while supposed to be insane, without warning made an assault upon his brother Thomas, and the later killed James in self defense. Our informant also stated that insanity was hereditary in the family. The father of these men spent several years in an asylum and another went insane last year.

# Pitt County Wills

## Will of Col. John Hardee, 1783

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## *The Last Will and Testament of John Hardee Esq'r*

State of No. Carolina

In the name of God, Amen, I John HARDEE of Pitt County and State afsd. Calling to Mind that it is Apoininted for all men Once to die, being Weak in body but of Sound & disposing Mind (Blessed be god for it) do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Vt. — — —

My Soul I give to God who gave it, my body to the Earth from Whence it Came to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors, and as to Worldly Estate hath pleased God to bless me With all I dispose as follows, — — —

Impremis I Lend unto my Loving Wife during her Natural Life and no Longer, One Negro man Called Simon, One Negro woman Called Dinah, One Negro Woman Called Rayney, And all my Stock of Cattle hogs and Sheep belonging to the Plantation Whereon I now Live also One Sorrel horse Called Dolphin. Together With the Plantation and Utensils for husbandry, also I lend my loving wife during her Natural Life one half of my houshold furniture and after my Wifes Death I Will And Devise that the Afsd. Negroes Cattle hogs, Sheep and Utensils and houshold furniture be Equally divided between the Children of Abraham ENLOES (deceast) and the Children of Elizabeth SIMPSON and the Children of Jemima SMITH — — —

Item I Give to my Grandson John Hardee SIMPSON One Negro boy named Phill to him and his heirs,

Item I Give unto my Grandson Samuel SIMPSON One Negro boy Called ~~Ambrose~~ Abraham to him and his heirs,

Item I Give unto my Grandaughter Elizabeth SIMPSON One Negro girl Named Patt to her and her heirs,

Item I Give unto my Grandaughter Ann SIMPSON One Negro Girl Called Poll to her and her heirs,

Item I Give unto my Grandson Josep SIMPSON One Negro boy named Toney to him and his heirs,

Item I Give unto my Nephew Abraham HARDEE One Negro boy Called Tom to him & his heirs, Likewise One bed a provided the aforesaid Abraham HARDEE Should die Without Issue Lawfully begotten by him the Sd. Abraham HARDEE, that then Afsd. Negro Shall be Equally divided between the Children of Abraham ENLOES deceasd. John SIMPSON & David SMITH

Item I Give Unto my Grandson Hardy SMITH One hundred Acres of Land I hold by deed from Lawrence KIRVEN Also fifty Acres of Land I hold by deed from Daniel WILSON, Likewise Another hundred Acres of Land Joining the Ould Survey I had from Lawrence KIRVIN To him and his heirs, all Containing Two hundred And fifty Acres;

Item I Give unto my Grandson David SMITH One Negro boy named Caleb to him and his heirs,

Item I Give unto my Grandson John Hardee SIMPSON one half Acre Lott of Land which I bought of Thomas CURTIS, Lying in the Town of Martinborough No. 101

Item I Give my Grandaughter Mary SMITH six Table Silver Spoons;

Item I Give my Grandaughter Zilpha SMITH Seven Silver Tea Spoons,

Item I Will after the Decease of my wife that my Executors Sell the Other half of my houshold furniture of all Kinds, and All my stock of Cattle hogs horses and Mares; belonging to the plantation Whereon Phill Lives and Every thing thereon (Negroes Excepted) And the Money thereby raized to be Equally divided between the Children of Abraham ENLOES Deceasd. the Children of John SIMPSON & the Children of David SMITH — — —

Item I Give unto my son in law John SIMPSON The Plantation near his mill Where James DEGGS formerly Lived With One hundred Acres Land Lying on the South Side the Main road; To him his heirs and Assigns forever; — —

Item I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Jemima SMITH the Land And Plantation Whereon I now Live, And all the Lands I now possess (Except what is before Willed; To her and her heirs forever; — — —

Item I Will that my Negroes Which I have not Willed With the residue of my Estate be disposed of as follows Vt. To my Son in Law John SIMPSON One third part To my Son Law David SMITH One third part the Other third part to be Equally divided between my Grand Children Elizabeth HERRINGTON, Susannah SHEPHERD And Mary POPE;

Provided that if Any of the Above Legatees have Any Demand by Acct. or other Wise against my Estate after my demise & will Not give my Executors proper discharges for their Demand Against my Estate that then and in that Case it is my Will & desire that my Executors Sell all or as much of the Legacy given to Such Legatee Which Shall refuse to Give a discharge to my Executors for Such Demand as Shall be Sufficient to discharge his or their demand

Lastly I do hereby Constitute Ordain & Appoint my Sons in Law John SIMPSON and David SMITH, James GORHAM and George EVANS to be Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all Other Wills by me heretofore Made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal December 22. 1783

Signed Sealed and Delivd.

In Presents of us John HARDEE {Seal}

John HARDEE Ju'r

John SPAIN

Isaac HARDEE

Anthony DEGGE

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BETHEL ITEMS-JOHN W. CARSON HURT

*Eastern Reflector,* Tuesday, May 28, 1901

John W. CARSON, age 65 years, happened to an accident on May 20th. He had been down to his shop for some vinegar, when he got to his gate the dump cart turned over and threw out a keg of vinegar on his leg and cut it so near off that the doctors had to amputate it. He has everybody's sympathy. Hope he will soon be out.

*Wilson Ledger,* April 7, 1858

At the University of Pennsylvania, a Degree of Doctor of Medicine was recently conferred on James H. HINES, of Marlboro, Pitt County.

*Raleigh Register, Semi-weekly,* July 3, 1827

Richard EVANS of Pitt Co., has been admitted by the Superior Court to practice law in County Courts.

# *Inventory of the Estate of Col. John Hardee Deceased December 8th 1784*

1 Maple Desk, Containing Paterns and other Papers and Sundry small Articles.
1 Large Looking Glass
1 Small Ditto
1 Maple Table
1 Small Ditto
1 Tea Table
1 Pine Table
1 Old chest
1 Smooth Bore Gun
11 Flag Bottom Chairs
5 old flag Bottom Chairs
1 Leather Bottom Couch
1 Square Pine Table
8 Feather Beds and Furniture
1 Linen Wheel
3 Woolen wheels
2 Servers 1 Case & 11 Bottles
1 Still and Worm
2 Large Chaney Bowles
6 Delph Plates 4, Old Basons
15. Plates 4. Old Dishes
1 Copper Tea Kittle
1 Iron Ditto
1 Copper Coffee Pot
1 Soop Dish 2 Soop Plates
3 Jugs 4. Butter Stone Pots
2 Spice Morters 1 Pessil
12 Old Barrels
1 Saddle 2 Horses 1 Mare
4 Pots 3 Iron Pot Trammels
1 Loom 1 hand Saw
4 Hyides 2 Scillets 2 Pair Dog
2 Brass Candle Sticks
1 Pair of Tongs 1 Chaney Tea Pot
2 Pair of Steelyards
1 Dutch Oven 1 Frying Pan
1 Hackle 2 Large Glass Bottles
8 Pieces of Crokery Ware
1 Seat white Tea Ware
1 Dozn. Silver Table Spoons
1/2 Dozn. Ditto Tea Spoons

Names of Negroes ———

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| Simon | Jack | Raney | Sue |
| James | Fill | Dinah | Dinah |
| George | Lewis | Crease | |
| Fortymon | Jesse | Sarah | |
| Oliver | Robin | Sebina | |
| Ambrose | Jack | Cloe | |
| Will | | Comfort | |

## Will of David Smith, 1797

This transcription was taken from a typed copy by Alice Mills Elks. The photocopy of this original Will, which is located in the Pitt County Wills, NC Archives, is extremely blurred, and was misidentified for many years as Daniel Smith. The editor compared the photocopy with the typed version and agrees with Mrs. Elks's transcription. The location of the original copy of the Will is unknown.

State of NorthCarolina } In the name of God Amen I David SMITH, Senior of the State and County
Pitt County } aforesaid, Planter, calling to mind that it is appointed unto all persons to die and being poor in health but of sound and disposing mind blessed be God for it in manner have thought proper I make and ordain this to be my last Will and testament vizt.

Imprimus, my soul I give to God who (gave) it to me and my body to the dust from whence it came be decently buried as my Executors may think proper and for what worldly goods it hath blessed God to bless me with I dispose of in the following manner vizt.

Item — I lend unto my wife Jemima SMITH the land and plantation whereon I now live on with all the houses of every kind, Plantation, orchards and with the cows, buildings, kitchen furniture with all the crop that may be housed or standing or growing upon the said plantation leaving her an interest life.

Item — I lend unto my wife Jemima SMITH during her natural life the following negroes vizt: one negro man named Ambrose, on negro boy named Bob, one negro named Qualk, one negro woman named Rose, one negro woman named Luce, one negro boy named Robbin and one negro boy named Jim (son of Dinah).

Item — I give unto my daughter Susanna CANNON one negro woman named Bett with her increase, one negro woman named named Shaney with her increase, unto the said Susannah CANNON her heirs and assigns forever, all which negroes are now in the posession of the said Susanna and her husband Nathl. CANNON.

Item — I give unto my son, Henry SMITH one negro boy named Jim, & son of negro woman have which he sold Jim, first, after the death of my wife I give one negro man named Ambrose which is left her to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item — I give unto my daughter Elizabeth MOORING her heirs and assigns forever one negro girl named Peggy which she has now in possession and after the death of my wife I give her one negro woman named Roz which is lent my wife during her natural life.

Item — I give unto my daughter Sary SMITH one negro woman named Patience with her increase to her heirs and assigns forever which negroes are now in her posession.

Item — I give unto my daughter Zilpha NUNN during her natural life one negro girl named Jenny after her death I give the said negro girl Jenny to the oldest daughter Nanney NUNN together with increase to her heirs and assigns forever.

Item — I give unto my son Hardee SMITH one negro man named Sam which he had in possession, after the death of my wife Jemima, one negro boy named Qualk and one negro boy named Jim, son of Dinah which is lent to my wife during her natural life.

Item — I give unto my son David SMITH, Junior his heirs, assigns forever one negro man named Caleb which he has in ossession and after the death of my wife I give him one negro boy named Pabble [?] one negro boy named Robbin which is lent to my wife Jemima SMITH during her natural life.

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them I lend to my daughter Alsey NELSON one negro girl named Ariner to one together _____ and _____ and one _____ to be left in the hands of my daughter for her use during her natural life and after her death then is to be sold and to be equally divided among her children.

Item — I give unto my daughter Sally SMITH her heirs and assigns forever one negro woman named Sarah, one negro girl named Dinah together with their increase also one feather bed and furniture.

Item — I give unto my son John SMITH his heirs assigns forever one negro boy named Cason and one negro boy named Jack also one feather bed & furniture.

Item — I give unto my daughter Abigail SMITH her heirs and assigns forever one negro girl named Sarah and one negro girl named Jenny daughter of Sarah, also one feather bed and furniture and one mohogany tea table.

Item — I give unto my son Charles SMITH his heirs and assigns forever one negro boy named Borton and one negro boy named Bone [?] and one feather bed & furniture and one negro girl named Betty daughter of negro woman Lucy.

Item — I give unto my sons John & Charles SMITH their heirs and assigns forever after the death of wife Jemima SMITH all the lands & plantation which my sons now possess and assigns also one negro woman named _____ with her increase and also all the hives of bees cattle hogs sheep of every kind that shall remain after my wifes death also all the household and kitchen furniture of any kind that shall remain.

Item — I give unto my wife Jemima SMITH one negro woman named Dinah to her and her assigns forever also one Riding Chair, harness. It is my will and desire that all the negroes belonging to the estate under age remain in my wifes possession till the children reaches to lawful age provided that she raises and supports the said children free from any expense in a decent manner.

Item — It is my will and desire that my negro man N___ [?] which is run away be sold to pay all my just debts and residue of the money if any remains to my wife Jemima SMITH for the sole benefit of her.

Lastly I constitute nominate and appoint my wife Jemima SMITH and my sons Hardee SMITH & David SMITH to be my true and lawful Executors to this my last will and testament renouncing and revoking all other wills and testaments made by me whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this my last will and testament this eighteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven.

Signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of us
Nathl. BLACKLEDGE David SMITH {Seal}
Thomas PELLON

## Will of Aaron Tyson Allen, 1838

Will Book 1, Pitt County Clerks Office, Pitt County Courthouse, Greenville, NC. Contributed and transcribed by Eleanor Allen.

The last Will and Testament of Aaron T. ALLEN.

In the name of God Amen I Aaron T. ALLEN of the county of Pitt & State of North Carolina being of sound and disposing mind do make and publish this to be my last Will & Testament to (wit). I lend to my beloved wife Susan ALLEN during her natural life or widowhood the tract of land whereon I now live. I also lend to my wife Susan the whole of my land except forty acres which I intend for my two children Priscilla & Samuel during her natural life or widowhood I also lend to my wife Susan ALLEN the whole of my property during her natural life or widowhood which (I) may not give any in this will.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my daughter Priscilla FLAKE twenty acres of land in the Samuel BROWN tract known by the name of Sal-day plane on the lower side. I also give & bequeath to my daughter Priscilla FLAKE Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my son Samuel ALLEN twenty acres of land in the Samuel BROWN tract known by the name of Sal-day plane on the upper side. I also give & bequeath to my son Samuel ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes also one young sow and pigs.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Lewcy ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my son Ichabod ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my son John R. ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my son Zachariah ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 8th I give and bequeath to my son Ivy ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 9th I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 10th I give and bequeath to my s Lewis ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 11th I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally Ann ALLEN Fifty dollars in notes.

Item 12th I give and bequeath to my son Thomas & to my daughter Elizabeth THIGPEN both of which are living in the State of Alabama all of my wright title and Interest in the property I inherited on heires by the death of my brother Ichabod ALLEN in the State of Alabama I also give and bequeath to the said Thomas ALLEN & Elizabeth THIGPEN all right title and interest that I had in the land I purchased of Samuel ALLEN.

Item 13th I leave forty five dollars for the purpose of buying a farm Horse for the use of my wife during her natural life or widowhood.

Item 14th After the death or marriage of my wife Susan my will and desire is that the land which I have loned her shall be equally divided between my children (to wit) Lewcy ALLEN, Ichabod ALLEN, John R. ALLEN, Zachariah ALLEN, Ivey ALLEN, Margaret ALLEN, Lewis ALLEN, & Sally Ann ALLEN the balance of the property which I have loned my wife after her death or marriage I have to be sold and the money arrising from said sale to be equally divided between all my children non living in the County of Pitt.

Item 15th I nominate and appoint my friend John SPAIRS as executor to this my last will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and seal 13th day of January 1838.
Signed sealed and delivered
In the presence of us Aaron T. ALLEN
William (his X mark) BEDDARD
Moses BEDDARD

May Sessions 1838

Then this paper waiting property to be the last will & Testament of Aaron T. ALLEN was exhibited into open court & proved indue form of law by the oath of William BEDDARD & Moses BEDDARD the subscribing witnesses thereto Let it be enrolled at the same time John SPAIRS the executrix therein named qualified as Executrix
Hereto atteste
Archibald PARKER Clk

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I William D. MOYE Clerk of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the aforesaid County do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the will of Aaron T. ALLEN as full & wr_ten as remaining of record.
Given under my hand & seal of office at Greenville the 25th day of October A.D. 1845
William D. MOYE, Clerk

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I Marshall DICKINSON chairman of the Court of Pleas for the said County of Pitt do hereby certify that William D. MOYE whose signature is to the foregoing certificate of record is and was at the date thereof the clerk of the said court that due faith & said is to given there to and that the same is in due form of law given under my hand and seal in said county of Pitt the 25th day of Oct 1845
Marshall DICKINSON
Chair C.C.

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I William D. MOYE Clerk of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the aforesaid County do hereby certify that Marshall DICKINSON whose signature appears to the foregoing certified is chairman of our said Court & that full faith should be given to his acts as such. Given under my hand and seal of office at Greenville the 25th day of October A.D. 1845.
William D. MOYE, clerk

The State of Alabama Perry County
I Jas. F. BAILEY, Judge of the Probate Court of the County and State of aforesaid Do hereby certify that the foregoing pages contain a true copy of what purports to be a genuine & certified transcript of the proceedings had in the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Pitt in the State of North Carolina. That the foregoing copy has been carefully compared with the said supposed transcript by me at the instance of Ichabod I. ALLEN of this county & I find the same to agree in every particular.
In the testimony of which I have
hereto set my hand & Seal
of office June 2nd 1858
Jas. F. BAILEY, Judge

## Will of Joseph Braddy, 1862

From Pitt County Wills, C. R. 079. 801, NC Archives. Contributed by Donald L. Cooper.

In the name of God Amen
I Joseph BRADDY of the State of North Carolina and County of Pitt being in Sound mind and memory do make this my last Will and testament in manner and form following(viz) I lend unto my beloved wife Lydia BRADDY all of my property Consisting of Land and all the rest of my estate after paying all my just debts during her natural life or widow except my double barrel Sot Gun which I give to my beloved Son Benjamin F. BRADDY to him and his heirs forever, my desire is that at the death or marriage of my wife Lydia BRADDY is for all my estate to be equally divided between my Lawful Heirs to them and their Heirs forever. I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Peter RIVES my Lawful executor to execute this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this May 7th 1862.
Witness
William B. FLEMING Joseph (his mark) BRADDY {seal}
Elkanah TEEL

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# The John Simpson Cemetery

*Eastern Reflector*, April 17, 1889. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

"A Cemetery More Than a Century Ago
There is a very interesting graveyard situated about six miles below Greenville, on land owned by Col. Harry SKINNER. Years ago many of the prominent people of this section were buried in that spot. A friend who recently visited the burial ground tells us there are a number of very handsome tombstones and monuments there, some of which are in an excellent state of preservation and look almost as well as when new. He has furnished us with a number of names and dates found upon some of these monuments, which we publish. Now and then a name may appear that will then a name may appear that will be remembered by our oldest living citizens, but some of them have passed all recollection.

John Simpson, was born March 8th, 1728, died March 1st, 1788.
His wife, Elizabeth Simpson, was born in 1738, died March 25th, 1805. Five children of this couple were buried in the same plot, one in each of the years 1770, 1781, 1790, 1800 and 1804.
James Easton, was born in Hartford, Conn., Jan. 10th, 1756, died at Milton, Nov. 29th, 1810.
Ann Easton died in 1823.
Penelope Simpson died in August, 1797.
John Easton died in 1846.
Julia Easton died in 1854.
Joseph Brickell, was born December 23rd, 1769, but in taking down the names our friend overlooked the date of his death.
J. S. M. Brickell, born in 1802, died in November 1829.
Sarah Brickell, born November 26th, 1778, died July 17th, 1852.
Sallie Simpson, wife of John Norcott, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Brickell, born in 1799, died in 1820.
Eliza Brickell died in 1798.
Martha Ann Amanda, wife of Wm. Sherrod and daughter of Gould and Martha Hoyt, died August 20th, 1844, aged 17 years, 6 months and 5 days.

The mother of the last person mentioned, Mrs. Martha HOYT, is still living in Greenville at an advanced age, being about 85 or 86 years old. Two sisters of Mrs. SHERROD, Mrs. Sallie MARSHALL and Mrs. J. J. DANCY, are also living here, as are her two grand daughters, Mrs. F. G. JAMES and Mrs. Dr. Zeno BROWN. The children of Mrs. JAMES are the fifth generation from Mrs. HOYT. It is an unusual occurence that descendants to the fifth generation are living at the same period.

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# Bible Records

## DANIEL BIBLE

The New Testament , translated out of the original Greek, New York, 1802, Printed by Benjamin Gomez, for Thomas S. Arden, Bookseller and Stationer, No. 186, Pearl Street. The bible has a brown cover sewn together with tobacco twine. Owned and contributed by Goldis Starling Reel.

[scribbles]
Willie Daniel July August
Edmund A Daniel

Willie Daniel his testament January The 24th 1805
Enoch James

Willie Daniel and Peggy Cherry was maried June the 28th 18___[sewn into cover]

## WHICHARD RECORD

This book, The Acts of the Days of The Son Of Man, from the Passion Week to his Ascension, was printed by Conrad Zentler, North Second Street, near Sassafras Street, Philadelphia, 1808. Owned and contributed by Goldis Starling Reel.

[scribbles]
Willie Daniel his Book January the 27 Day 1820
James Whichard was born in the Year Febuary 20th 1825

## DAVID SMITH BIBLE

The bible is a Common Prayer Book, printed and sold by T. & J. Swords, No. 160 Pearl Street, New York, 1810. It is bound in a bright red cover and annotated with other dates and information. The brackets are by the editor. The bible is owned and contributed by Goldis Starling Reel.

David Smiths Book Sept the 19, 1813 Price $ 4 Dollars

Births of the children of David and Elizabeth Smith; who were married by James Sheppard Esq. Sunday evening May 14th 1808

William Henry was born 22nd day of February 1810 and Died 5 May 1837
John Stanly; was born 13th day of January 1812
Ann Eliza, was born 23d day February 1814
David Rufus; was born 7 day of October 1816 and Died feb the 3 1840

William H. Smith and Emerline James was married September the 15 Day 1833 on Sunday Evening
John S. Smith and Salley Daniel Was Married the 24 March 1835

J.S. Smith and Sarah Daniel was married March 24th 1835 By John Cherry
Births of the Children of Jonr & Sarah Smith
William Henry Smith Was Born March 17th 1838. Died March 18th 1881. Aged 43
Margaret Ann Elizabeth Smith Was Born Febuary 8, 1841 Died Feb 20th 1874. Aged 33.
Jane Eliza Smith Was Born January 2 1844
James Thomas Smith Was Born August 7th 1846

Births of the children of John & Jane Hardee, who were married by Dr W. Bernard, on Thursday morning March 13th, 1862.
Stella Hardee was born Dec 23d, 1862.
Leon Stanly Hardee was born Dec 1st 1875.

Births of the children of John and Sarah Hardee who was married by Henry Smith Esquire on Tuesday Evening April the 20 1807
Charles S Hardee was borned March the 25 day 1808
Josiah Hardee was borned June the 4 day 1809
John S Hardee was borned October the 20 day 1810
Luizer was borned October the 1 day 1812
Salley Hardee was borned June the 28 day 1814
Josey ann Hardee was borned July the 5 day 1817
Elizabeth Hardee was borned Febuary the 28 day 1818 Amen
John S Hardee
April 27 day 1834

Stephen Harrington & Ann Eliza Smith was married February 8th 1831 on Tuesday evening by Arden Moore Esqr
[Stephen?] Died 1 Day of Febuary 1839.

Births of the children of Louis and Stella Kittrell:
Effie Elizabeth was born Oct 11th 1884.
Hattie Cleora was born June 17th 1887.
Osceola Samuel was born Feb 15, 1889.
Lona Jane was born Aug 7th 1891
John Bryant was born April 25th, 1893.
Leon Lewis was born Aug 13th 1895.
Wilbur Marvin was born Aug 17th, 1897.
Linwood Gold was born Aug 12th 1901.

Leon Stanly Hardee married Addie Louvenia Corbitt Aug. 31, 1904. They had one child.
Janie Gold Hardee was born Feb. 7, 1909. died May 22, 1975
Janie Gold Hardee married Robert Belvin Starling May 21, 1938.
Their children are
Goldis Staron Starling who was born Mar. 21, 1942
Leo Hardee Starling who was born Nov. 28, 1943
Goldis Staron Starling married John Calvin Reel Jr. March 3, 1962
Their daughter Cynthia Dawn Reel was born July 8, 1964
Their son, John Michael Reel, was born January 8, 1970.
Their daughter Melanie Staron Reel was born July 14, 1971

Leo Hardee Starling married Mary Evelyn Mauney Dec. 17, 1961.
Their daughter, Sheri Lynn Starling, was born Nov. 5, 1963.
Robert Hardee Starling, their son, was born April 7, 1968
Sheri Lynn Starling married Paul Eugene Sproles on Aug. 22, 1987
Their son Johnathan Paul Sproles was born Mar. 24, 1989

*Annotations by Goldis S. Reel:*

William Henry Smith (1838-1881) married Nan Joyner
Margaret Ann Elizabeth Smith (1841-1874) married Charles Rountree
Jane Eliza Smith (b.1844) married John Bryant Hardee
James Thomas Smith (b. 1846) died Aug. 11, 1918 married Mary Shepherd

Other children of John Stanly Smith and Sallie Daniel Smith:
Francis Marion Smith, b. June 17, 1849, d. Feb. 21, 1908 married Amanda T., b. Sept. 4, 1848
John Q. Smith who married Ellen Fleming
Ada Cleora Smith who married D. D. Haskett

Stella Hardee died Aug. 195_
Leon Stanly Hardee died Aug. 17, 1970
Pitt County Deed Book Q page 397 shows a deed dated April 20, 1807 in which John Hardee and Sarah (Sally) Smith agree that David Smith (brother-in-law) will handle her property during her marriage to John Hardee
John Stanley Smith married (second) Frances Ringgold after Sallie Daniels Smith died. Their children were:
1. David Stanley Smith
2. A baby who died at 6 months (Tersie Mordenia)

## CHERRY BIBLE

Bible with no cover or date page. Owned and contributed by Goldis Starling Reel.

John Cherry and Louinda P. S. Lanier Was married October 30th in the year of our Lord 1827

## PATRICK BIBLE

The Holy Bible, containing the Old and New Testaments, published in New York, by the American Bible Society, 1879. Owned and contributed by Goldis Starling Reel.

[scribbles]
Greenville Miss Mattie Green
Miss Chanie Cherry Book
Alsy J Tyson 1877 Greenville Pitt Co

Family Record Page
Chrischaney Patric was Bourn on the 9 Day of July 1830.

## RUEL THOMAS JOHNSON WILLOUGHBY BIBLE

Holy Bible, Red Letter Art Edition, no publication date. Owned and contributed by Maxine Newsome Maloney.

Ruel Thomas Johnson Willoughby The son of Robert Thomas Willoughby and Absaly Ann Arcena Willoughby, his wife, was born Aug 13th 1866

Anna Dora Harrell The Daughter of Warren Christopher Columbus Harrell, and Ruth Harrell, his wife was born July 8th 1875

Births
Ruth Arcena Willoughby The Daughter of Ruel Thomas Johnson Willoughby and Anna Dora Willoughby his wife was born July 1st 1915

Myrt Wilson Willoughby The Son of Ruel Thomas Johnson Willoughby and Anna Dora Willoughby his wife was born Jan 10th 1917

CERTIFICATE
This Certifies that the Rite of Holy Matrimony was celebrated between R. T. J. Willoughby of Roanoke Rapids and Anna Dora Harrell of Roanoke Rapids on Sept 23 [crossed out] Nov. 23rd —1904 at Roanoke Rapids, N. C. by Mr. Brown was Join Together
Witness Mr. Henry Vaughan, Mrs Thad Parker

Marriages
Cyrus Thomas Warren Willoughby
Annie Mae Warrick
Married Nov. 24, 1928

Susie Willoughby
Bunyan C. Newsome
Married Nov. 22, 1933

Births
Cyrus Thomas Warren Willoughby the Son of Ruel Thomas Johnson Willoughby & Anna Dora Willoughby his wife was born June 17th 1906
Columbus Jackson Willoughby the Son of Ruel Thomas Johnson Willoughby and Anna Dora Willoughby his wife was born June 16th 1908
Susie Willoughby the Daughter of Ruel Thomas Johnson Willoughby and Anna Dora Willoughby his wife was born Feb. 26th 1910
Irma Willoughby the Daughter of Ruel Thomas Johnson Willoughby and Anna Dora Willoughby his wife was born May 14th 1912

Deaths
Columbus Jackson Willoughby
Died Oct 1909

## BENJAMIN F. MANNING BIBLE

Contributed by Mrs. Elsie Forlines Cole of Winterville, NC, in form of photocopies. Holy Bible, published by A. J. Holman & Co., No. 1222 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa; 1889. Transcribed by Elizabeth Ross.

On the Fly leaf:
B. F. Manning Book
Bought February 24th 1889
Cost $2.85
Benjamin

Matrimony Page:
B. F. Manning of North Carolina and Mattie A. Huggins of North Carolina on 13 day of Jan. 1886 at W. H. Huggins by Elder Fred McGlawhorn. Witnesses: A. G. Cox and J. W. Nobles.

On bottom margin, same page:
John Leroy Forlines of North Carolina and Leta Nannie Manning of North Carolina were married Dec. 25, 1912 at B. F. Mannings by Eld. C. L. Little. Witness H. B. _____ [illegible] and Heb__ _____ [illegible]

Births
B. F. Manning Jr the Son of Charles Manning and Christina his wife was born April 27th. 1865
Mattie A. Huggins the daughter of W. Huggins and Rachel his wife was born April 18th 1866
Carra Darcus Manning the daughter of B. F. Manning and Mattie A. his wife was born Oct. 2nd 1893
Louis Allen Manning the Son of B. F. Manning Jr and Mattie A. his wife wa born April 12th 1889

Walter Winzerlow Manning the Son of B. F. Manning Jr and Mattie A. Manning Jr his wife was born May 25th 1891
Leta N. Manning Forlines daughter of the above name was born January 24 1897

Marriages
[Births recorded here]
W. H. Rouse was born Dec. 13th 1867
Lula Lee Manning the daughter of B. F. & M. A. Manning was borned April 12th 1899
Mattie Frances Forlines the daughter of John Forlines and Leta his wife was born Sun. March 27th 1921
Franklin Leroy Forlines the son of John Forlines & Leta his wife was born Sunday Nov. 14th 1926
Charles Manning the Son of Liniton Manning & Rillie his wife was born Aug. 8th. 1832
Christina Manning the daughter of Henry Smith and Selie his wife was born Dec. 18th 1838
John Leroy Forlines the son of H. L. Forlines and Cordelia his wife was born Aug. 16th 1883
Elsie Virginia Forlines was born Fri. Jan. 8th 1915
Edith Christine Forlines was born Tuesday July 9, 1918
The above were the daughters of John and Leta Forlines
Jack Stanley Forlines the son of John Forlines & Leta his wife was born Monday Jan. 30th 1933

Deaths
Charles Manning died May ~~2~~ [struck-through] 4 1887
Walter Winslow Manning died Dec. 10th. 1891
B. F. Manning died Mar. 26th. 1929
Mattie A. Manning died May 12th 1931
Rachel Huggins departed this life June 9th. 1867
Christina Manning died Oct. 18th. 1918
William Henry Huggins died Mar. 28th 1898
Lula Lee Manning died July 8th 1900

*Notes accompanying a handwritten copy located in the "Miscellaneous Genealogies," ECU Manuscript Collection, J. Y. Joyner Library, Greenville, NC [author unknown]:*

Rachel Stocks married first to _____Loving and had two children, one named Susan who md. McGowan, lived Vanceboro. Rachel married then to Henry Huggins and had two children, Mattie and Lizzie who married Ben Freeman and lived near Farmville.

Carrie Huggins mother's parents raised her, after her mother died. Her father moved to Rock Ridge, N.C., he remarried, and never returned to Winterville. He's probably buried there. Rachel's grave is not known to Elsie Forlines Cole.

Mattie A. Huggins's name was Mattie Ann
Elsie's sister Christine has the original photo of W. Henry Huggins, of which Elsie Cole has a copy.
Elder Nile Manning was an important Baptist leader- he was brother of Linston Manning.

## MCGLOHON-ELLIS BIBLE

The following bible record was taken from a typed version found in the J. L. Jackson Papers, Sheppard Memorial Library, Greenville, NC. The bible was owned by Joseph McLawhon in the 1930's, present whereabouts unknown. Items in parentheses are by J. L. Jackson.

Eleazer Ellis and Ann Bonner Blount were married Feb. 23, 1814
Jeremiah McGlohon and Susan Elizabeth Ellis were married July 28, 1841
John Pierce and Betsy Ann McGlohon were married December 10, 1865
Benjamin F. McGlohon and Mary W. Jenkins were married July 23, 1865
W. A. Moore and Pattie A. McGlohon were married December 12, 1877
Joseph McGlohon and Nannie E. Harrington were married Jan. 15, 1886

Nannie Harrington was born April 14, 1868
(Children of Joseph and Nannie [McGlohon])
Asher Guy born January 17, 1877
Ulyses Biggs born September 16, 1888
Onnie Estelle b. Nov. 1, 1891
J. J. b. October 21, 1893
Belle Geneva b. September 1, 1897
Annie Catholine b. August 28, 1901
Hubert Lee b. October 13, 1903
Joe Kitchen b. July 7, 1908

Deaths
Joseph McLawhon September 20, 1939
Nancy E. McLawhon April 3, 1941

Marriages
Asher Guy m. Dora Roberson Nov. 10, 1910
Ulyses Biggs m. Ellen Smith
Onnie Estelle m. Pearlie Gurganus
Geneva Belle m. Bennette Phillips
Joe Kitchen m. Martha E. Phelps

## THE BROWN-DIXON FAMILY BIBLE

Located by Roger Kammerer from NC Archives, Raleigh, NC, in 1984. Original owned by Mrs. Marion R. Alexander, Chapel Hill, NC. The New Testament was printed in Philadelphia in 1816. Transcribed by Elizabeth Ross.

John Dixon, his book, September 29, 1822
Nathan Brown son of Jacob Brown and Sarah his wife was born Aug. 7, 1784
James Brown son of Jacob Brown and Sarah his wife was born Feb 26, 1791
Mary Brown dau of Jacob Brown and Sarah his wife was born Feb 26, 1791
William Brown son of Jacob Brown and Sarah his wife was born March 6, 1794
Elizabeth Susan Brown dau of James Brown and Sussana his wife was born March 27, 1823
Almarine Brown dau of James Brown and Sussana his wife was born Jan. 31, 1825
George Slade Brown son of James Brown and Sussana his wife was born Sept. 30, 1826
Mary Dixon departed this life on Dec. 2, 1827
Pathen Brown son of James Brown and Elizabeth his wife was born July 26, 1828
Bartemos Brown was born April 14, 1831
Joseph James Brown was born July 22, 18__
Polly Ann Hill Brown was born Aug. 27, 1837
James Brown deceased this life Nov. 24, 1868
Uriah Edwards and Aney Brown was married Aug. 10, 1825
Frederick A. Godley the son of P. F. Godley and Mary Ann Godley his wife was born Jan. 4, 1830
Elizabeth Godley the dau of Perse F. Godley and Mary Ann his wife was born Oct. 24, 1831
Walter Dickson departed this life April 4, 1811
Fannie L. Dickson his wife departed this life Oct. 28, 1814
Uriah Edwards and Nancy his wife were married Jan. 30, 1821
Marion Susan Edwards and Wm. Henry Edwards children of the above were born Oct. 30, 1821
Nancy Edwards the wife of Rier Edwards deceased this life on June 8, 1823
Betsey Dickson dau of John and Penelope Dickson was born Nov 17, 1807
Walter Dixon did move from Pitt County to Beaufort County Jan. 2, 1811
Frederick Harding deceased this life Oct. 5, 1822
William Godley deceased this life Oct. 20, 1822

# Obituaries

From old newspapers on microfilm, contributed by Roger Kammerer.

**Washington S. E. SMITH Dies From Paralysis**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Nov. 14, 1930

Washington SMITH, 74, a prominent planter of the fountain section, died at his home Sunday night at 11 o'clock following a stroke of paralysis in the early morning. Funeral services were held at the home Monday afternoon, with Rev. WILSON of Leggett, Presbyterian minister of the Fountain church in charge. He was assisted by Rev. A. J. CRANE, of Tarboro and Dr. A. S. VENABLE, of Farmville. Mr. SMITH suffered a slight stroke last winter, but had been up all day, and feeling as well as usual when he retired. A man of dignity, though of a genial nature, he commanded the entire respect of the community, and was held in high esteem. He was the son of Capt. Bryant SMITH and Tabitha NELSON and was born in this county near Greenville, moving to this section immediately following the close of the war. He joined the Fountain Presbyterian church in 1912 and has served as elder in the Fountain church for many years, being a faithful and zealous Christian. His Godly counsel and the benediction of his presence will be greatly missed, especially in the various organizations of the church of his faith. Surviving are his wife, who was formerly Miss Mattie TAYLOR of Greene county, and his brother Lewis SMITH's widow, before her marriage to the deceased, one daughter, Mrs. Cleon CASE, a sister, Mrs. Addie CORBETT, two brothers, Sherrod and Marcellus SMITH.

**Mr. J. J. DANCY Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1900

At a quarter to ten o'clock, Wednesday night, at his home on Third Street, Mr. Joseph J. DANCY passed away, after an illness of some weeks. He had passed his 78th year, and was the oldest native born citizen in Greenville. His wife died a few years ago and he leaves no immediate family. His nearest relatives here are Mrs. F. G. JAMES, Mrs. Thomas McGEE and Miss Sallie MARSHALL. The funeral took place this afternoon at 4 o'clock, the interment being by the side of his wife in the Methodist cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. E. D. BROWN. ——Daily Reflector 18th.

**Ayden Items**
*Daily Reflector*, Tuesday, May 4, 1909

James BLOUNT, an old darkey who lived near here, noted for his honesty and uprightness, died Sunday.

**Joe E. JEFFERSON Dies at Age of 48 Years**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Nov. 21, 1930

Joe E. JEFFERSON, 48 years of age, son of the late Robert and Caroline JEFFERSON, a well known and industrious farmer of the Fountain section, died at his home near the suburbs of that place on Sunday afternoon at 6:30 following an attack of pneumonia. Elder Amos CRISP of Pinetops, Primitive Baptist preacher, had charge of the last rites, which were held at 1:30 Monday afternoon at the home, interment being made in the Fountain cemetery. Surviving are his wife, who was formerly Miss Bessie BELL, a sister of L. R. BELL, local tobacco warehouseman, and nine children, three sisters; Mrs. Lizzie LEWIS and Mrs. Rebecca WOOTEN, of Macclesfield, and Mrs. K. T. THIGPEN of Fountain, and four brothers; Lum, Lee, Henry and Wright JEFFERSON, all of the Fountain community.

*Tarboro Enquirer*, Oct. 11, 1873
Died near Greenville on Sept. 20, of stomach cancer, John Stanley SMITH.

**Mrs. Nancy CRAWFORD Dies in Beaver Dam**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, May 22, 1931

Mrs. Nancy E. CRAWFORD, 83, died at the home of her son, John P. CRAWFORD, in Beaver Dam township Tuesday night. She had been an invalid for about two years and death was not unexpected. Funeral services were conducted from the late home Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. M. A. WOODARD, of Winterville. She was a member of the Piney Grove Free Will Baptist church, and was held in high esteem by a host of friends throughout the community. She is survived by the sons and a daughter, B. T., J. B., and J. H. CRAWFORD, and Mrs. Alice NICHOLS, all of Pitt county. She is also survived by a sister, Mrs. J. H. VANDIFORD.

**Mrs. G. JACKSON Dies Here Today**
*Daily Reflector*, Saturday, Oct. 18, 1924

Mrs. Guilford JACKSON, 84, died in this city early this morning at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. H. D. MABE. Mrs. JACKSON was born on December 23, 1840, being a daughter of the late Mr. Guilford HARRIS, and Mrs. Catherine Moye HARRIS of this county. She was beloved by a host of friends in Greenville. Several weeks ago Mrs. Jackson, came to Greenville from Kinston to visit Mrs. MABE and a few days after her arrival she suffered a stroke of paralysis, from which she never rallied. The deceased possessed a lovely christian character and was beloved by people throughout Pitt and Lenoir counties. She was a remarkable person considering her age and was always thoughtful of others. Funeral services will take place at the family burying ground near Ayden tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

**Died Mrs. Guilford HARRIS**
*Eastern Reflector*, Wed., July 25, 1894

Mrs. Guilford HARRIS, living about three miles from town on the old Newbern road, had a stroke of paralysis on last Wednesday, about 1 o'clock. Mrs. HARRIS is about 80 years old and fears are entertained for her recovery. Since the above was written Mrs. HARRIS has died.

**Died Mrs. Robert Ann HARRIS**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, May 12, 1933

Mrs. Robert Ann HARRIS, 75, died at nine o'clock Thursday morning at her home near King's Cross Roads after an extended illness. She was a widow of the Alex HARRIS, who died about 16 years ago. Funeral services will be conducted from her late home this (Friday) afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. B. L. MANNING and interment will be made in Nobles graveyard in the Reedy Branch community. Surviving are two sons, Alex HARRIS of King's Cross Roads; Robert HARRIS, Ayden; two daughters, Mrs. Will JONES, Greenville; Mrs. Reba HINSON, Ayden; two sisters, Mrs. Jane SMITH, Winterville, and Mrs. Gertrude TYSON of the Frog Level community.

**Died From Football Injuries**
*New Bern Daily Journal*, Friday, Dec. 20, 1895

Robert WILSON, a young man of Grimesland, fifeteen or sixteen years old, died Monday night the 16th, inst. His death was occasioned by injuries received in a game of football at the Greenville school two weeks previous. He received a kick in the breast which bruised his lungs, and pnuemonia followed and terminated his life.

*Eastern Reflector*, Dec. 15, 1886
Died on Nov. 12, in Swift Creek Twsp., John Angel SMITH, aged 93 years, 3 months and 6 days, due to exhaustion. He was a strict member of the Primitive Baptist Church for 60 years.

**Died Mrs. Harriet DUPREE**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, June 16, 1933

Mrs. Harriet DUPREE, 77, died at her home near Falkland Saturday night following illness of 14 months. Funeral services were conducted at her late home Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. W. S. HARDEN, pastor of the Greenville Presbyterian Church. Interment was in the family burying ground on the Williams farm. Mrs. DUPREE was the wife of the late Louis B. DUPREE and the daughter of William R. WILLIAMS and Harriet P. LEARY. She was a staunch member of the Presbyterian Church of Falkland and showed much interest in the work of the denomination until illness prevented active work. She is survived by two sons and one daughter, Victor B. DUPREE of near Falkland, Chauncey L. DUPREE of Greenville, and Mrs. J. L. KNIGHT of near Falkland. She also is survived by a sister, Mrs. Rosa TROTMAN of the Falkland community.

*Daily Reflector*, Dec. 9, 1910
Died on Dec. 4, John STOCKS, son of Alf STOCKS of Grifton, from a tumor on his face. He was buried near Elm Grove.

*Daily Reflector*, March 20, 1909
Died, Nash EDWARDS of consumption. He leaves a widow and eight children. He was buried near Red Banks.

**Marion Francis SMITH Laid to Final Rest**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, July 25, 1930

Funeral services for Marion Francis SMITH, 73, were conducted from the Smith home on Grimmersburg street, Monday afternoon at 3:30, by Rev. R. F. PITTMAN, Free Will Baptist minister of Ayden. Mr. SMITH, who died Sunday afternoon at 4:45, after an illness of four weeks, was a native of the Bell Arthur section of Pitt county, and lived there all his life, until seven years ago when he became a resident of Farmville. He was widely connected and was well known and beloved throughout the county. He had been married 43 years, his wife, formerly Miss Emily Lilla NICHOLS of the Beaver Dam section, survives him with six daughters: Mrs. W. G. GAY, Mrs. Ellen LEGGETTE, Misses Callie, Hilda, Ethel, Emily SMITH, all of Farmville; six sons, Leslie, Jack, Guy, Ned of Farmville; Mack and Jennis SMITH, Bell Arthur, four sisters; Mrs. Addie SPEIGHT of Roanoke Rapids, Mrs. B. P. WILLOUGHBY of Bell Arthur, Mrs. Lizzie FLANAGAN and Mrs. Sheba FLANAGAN of Farmville, four brothers; Ivy and C. D. of Bell Arthur; Mills SMITH of Greenville, and Ben SMITH of Texarkana, Ark., and a number of grandchildren.

**Prominent Colored Man Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1909

Moses KING, a well known colored man here, died Monday and was buried Tuesday evening. For a long time he carried on a market business. In the days of Fusion rule which put negroes practically in control of several Eastern towns, Moses was one of Greenville's police officers.

**Mrs. Dicie BREWER Passes**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, May 11, 1934

After an illness of some weeks, due to the infirmities of age, Mrs. Dicie BREWER, 76, died at the home of Charlie JOYNER near here, on Wednesday. She was a faithful and loyal member of the Free Will Baptist Church. Funeral services were conducted from her late home Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock bt Rev. L. R. ENNIS, of Farmville, Rev. J. R. MOYE, Snow Hill, and Rev. R. F. PITTMAN, Ayden. Interment was made in Forest Hill cemetery. The deceased is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Frances GAY, of South Carolina.

**Mr. Elisha LANG Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Wednesday, October 6, 1909

Mr. Elisha LANG died Tuesday night at his home in Grifton. He was a large farmer and merchant and carried on his business with marked success. His death is indeed a loss to his town and county. The funeral will take place Thursday afternoon with Masonic honors, Mr. LANG having been a member of that order.

*Washington Progress*, Feb. 20, 1908
Died Feb. 4, William Charlie DIXON, of typhoid pnuemonia. He was born in Pitt County Sept. 26, 1849. He moved to Beaufort County 10 or 12 years ago. In Feb. 1884 he married Miss Dorcas A., dau. of John H. LEWIS. He leaves a widow, 3 daughters and 6 sons. He joined the Free Will Baptist Church at an early age.

**Died Bryan SMITH**
*Eastern Reflector*, Wednesday, Feb. 24, 1886

Mr. Bryan SMITH, of Falkland township, died at ten o'clock Monday morning. Mr. Smith was 66 years old and leaves a wife, seven sons and two daughters. He was a man of excellent character, kind and hospitable to every one, beloved by all his neighbors, and his death will prove a severe loss.

*Daily Reflector*, March 10, 1908
Died near Ayden, March 8, Mrs. David MANNING. She leaves a husband.

*Daily Reflector*, Jan. 22, 1908
Died on Jan. 21, at the home of her son Joseph BARBER at Ayden, Mrs. Betsy BARBER, near 80.

**Death of an Aged Citizen,**
**Wm. BREWER of Vanceboro Dies**
*New Bern Daily Journal*, Tuesday, Nov. 26, 1895

Mr. Wm. BREWER died at the home of his son, County Commissioner W. C. BREWER, near Vanceboro, Sunday the 24th inst. He was 91 years of age, a member of the Disciple church, and has always enjoyed the confidence and love of the entire community. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. V. WINFIELD Monday afternoon. Mr. BREWER was a native of Virginia but he moved to this State early in life. He was first in Pitt County. There he married Miss Selina ROUNTREE who survives him, and afterwards moved to this county and became the owner of a large plantation, on which he has resided ever since- the home of Commissioner Brewer is a portion of the property. Mr. BREWER has been a remarkably sound and healthy man. Very seldom, indeed, having any ailment whatever, until within the past year, the feebleness of old age which might have been expected sooner, began to overpower him. Besides his wife, six children survive him. They are Commissioner Brewer, Mr. Charles BREWER of Pitch Kettle, Mr. Edward BREWER of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. S. R. NELSON of Nelson's Ferry, Mrs. John WILLIS, Mrs. W. E. BROWN and Mrs. Elizabeth McLOHORN of Vanceboro. Our townsman, Mr. C. E. NELSON, is his grandson.

*Daily Reflector*, Jan. 10, 1908
Died in Swift Creek Twsp., Jan. 7, Slade CHAPMAN, prominent farmer and former legislator.

**Died Mrs. Seleta Ann MOORE**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Sept. 14, 1934

Funeral services for Mrs. Seleta Ann Turnage MOORE, 81, well-known and highly esteemed Pitt county woman who died Saturday, following a lingering illness, were conducted at the home near Farmville,

Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock and concluded at the graveside in Hollywood Cemetery with Rev. Frank DENNY, Primitive Baptist minister of Wilson in charge, and Rev. J. H. ROBERTS, of Greenville, and Rev. L. R. ENNIS, Farmville, assisting. Born and reared in Pitt County, Mrs. MOORE was the daughter of the late Robert E. and Nancy TURNAGE, a pioneer family of this section, and was the widow of the late Alfred MOORE. She had long been a faithful member of Tyson's church. Surviving, are two daughters, Mrs. Lucy Moore RASBERRY, Mrs. W. G. TUCKER, and two sons, Alfred B. and Vernon B. MOORE.

**With Our Colored People**
*Daily Reflector*, Thursday, May 14, 1908

The news of the death of Brother Churchel ANDERSON, sexton, trustee, leader, and a faithful member of the A. M. E. Zion church, came to us like a thunder bolt from a clear sky. He is well known to the people of Greenville. He leaves to mourn their loss a faithful wife, two children, two brothers, five grand children and a host of relatives and friends. Burial and perhaps funeral tommorrow.

**Pope PIPPIN Buried in Greene County**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Nov. 19, 1926

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at the Henry MOORE place in Greene County, for Pope PIPPIN, of Marlborough. Mr. PIPPIN died Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock after an illness of eighteen months. He suffered from fatty degeneration of the heart and complications. He is survived by his widow who was Miss WAINRIGHT. Mr. PIPPIN was born and reared in Pitt County. He conducted a store at Marlborough until failing health forced him to give it up. He was widely known as a man of genial, jovial disposition. He was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church.

**Abner HUDSON Dead**
*New Bern Daily Journal*, Thursday, Feb. 18, 1892

The Washington Progress says that Abner HUDSON was killed Wednesday of last week near Pactolus by a falling of a tree. He was in the timber business and while felling a tree it lodged and then flew back, struck him and broke his neck, death resulting instantly.

*Eastern Reflector*, Jan. 20, 1886
Died on Jan. 14, about 9 miles from Greenville, the wife of James C. COBB.

*Eastern Reflector*, Oct. 22, 1884
Died in Chicod Twsp. Oct. 16, Thomas ADAMES, after a short illness, aged about 65. He was a consistent member of the Free Will Baptist Church.

*Daily Reflector*, Feb. 1, 1906
Died Jan. 29, Mrs. Sallie KEEL, 86, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry TAYLOR in Carolina Twsp. She was the mother of Messers. J. S. and H. F. KEEL of Greenville.

**Died Mr. R. B. PARKER**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, May 28, 1920

Farmville and vicinity was saddened Monday evening, May 23rd, to learn of the death of Mr. R. B. PARKER at the home of his son; Mr. Cleveland PARKER. This was the final termination of a long life of usefulness, Mr. PARKER being seventy-four years old at his death. He has been ill for quite a while and when death touched him in the cool of this May evening it was no surprise to those of his loved ones who were with him at the parting. He was a conservative gentleman, never making a great demonstration of his opinions and beliefs, but sincere and earnest in everything he went about. Rev. CRISP, of Falkland, conducted the funeral rites at the family burying ground. The many attendants upon the funeral attested

the loving esteem in which Mr. PARKER was held. He is survived by four sons, Messers, R.A., Cleveland, Frank and William PARKER; two daughters, Mesdames Watt NEWTON and W. B. HEARN, and one sister, Mrs. W. H. NICHOLS.

**Mrs. Maggie PIERCE Succumbs**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, Nov. 14, 1919

After a lingering illness of several months, Mrs. Maggie PIERCE died at her home in Falkland November 2nd. and was buried in the cemetery at this place the day following. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor Rev. Mr. FLEMING of the Presbyterian church of which she was a true and loyal member, assisted by Rev. Mr. MORTON of Farmville. She was in her fifty seventh year, and though suffering with an incurable disease, was patient to the end. She is survived by three sons, Viz: Mr. L. T. PIERCE, of Farmville; Mr. Clarence PIERCE, of Spring Hope, and Mr. Preston PIERCE, of Falkland; also three sisters and three brothers, viz: Mrs. Addie WINSTEAD, of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. M. Z. MOORE, of Wilson, Mrs. Martha PIERCE, of Falkland, and Mr. R. W. SMITH, of Farmville, Mr. W. M. SMITH, King's X Roads, and Mr. J. H. SMITH, of Falkland.

*Eastern Reflector*, Feb. 18, 1891
Died on Feb. 10, Elias Spencer HARRIS, near Falkland. He married a few years ago to a woman of Virginia.

**Joe SMITH Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Monday, January 29, 1906

Mr. Joe SMITH, of Contentnea township, who about two weeks ago was gored by a vicious bull, as told at the time by our Winterville correspondent, died Friday night from his injuries. The funeral was held Sunday near Bethany church, about four miles from Winterville. Mr. SMITH was a member of theWinterville Tribe of Red Men and was buried with honors of the order. About twenty-five members of Withlacooche Tribe of Greenville attended and took part in the ceremony that was beautiful and impressive. During the excercises a perfectly white pigeon was released from the grave which was emblematic of purity, its flight typical of the spirit's return to the Great Spirit. The Great Sachem F. M. HODGES was present to lead the ceremonies for the Red Men, and the religious service was conducted by Rev. Mr. CORBETT of the Free Will Baptist church.

*Tarboro Press*, July 11, 1835
A stranger about 20 years of age, stating himself to be a seaman, and calling himself William B. SHEPPARD, arrived at Greenville, in this State, on his way south, on the 19th ult. was immediately taken sick, and died on the 25th. He has, as he believed, several brothers and sisters in New Orleans, but could not remember their address, in consequence of his not having had an opportunity of communicating with them for the last seven years. He said his father was called Henry B. SHEPPARD, and that he was an emigrant to Louisiana from this State.

*The Wilmington Journal*, Oct. 11, 1866
Died last Wed. night, in the vicinity of Scuffleton, Pitt Co., after a dozen or more men went to the house of Jesse HART, of CANNON & HART, took him out and shot him, reason not thus far known.

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*North State Whig* (Washington), Oct. 11, 1854

The subscribers have this day formed a copartnership under the name TYER, MOORE & Co. for the purpose of carrying on the merchantile and distillery business. Maysville, Pitt Co. July 1854

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# QUERIES

Does anyone have definite PROOF that the Mary TYSON (b. 1748, d. 1800) who married Major Benjamin MAY, was the daughter of Cornelius TYSON and Mary SHERROD?
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Would like to exchange information on Joseph HOUSE (1800s, Greene Co., NC).
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Seeking parents' and siblings' names of Matthew WARD, and his complete birth dates.
—Dora SANDERS; 711 14th Northwest; Miami, OK 74354. e-mail: Dsanders@RecTec.Net

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Seeking name of the mother of Pitt Co. Revolutionary War Lt. Arthur FORBES, Sr. His father was John FORBES. Who were the parents of Lt. FORBES's wife, Julie?
—J. A. L. MILLER, Jr.; 7912-H Harris Hill Lane; Charlotte, NC 28269-0704. e-mail: jalmillerjr@worldnet.att.net

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George MOYE married Fereby BELL, Pitt, NC, on Dec. 7, 1820, died before 1870. Who were the parents of this George MOYE?
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Seeking information on a James SMITH born on Octboer 24, 1725, in Glasgow, Lanark, Scotland. His wife's name was Margaret HAMILTON who was born November 6, 1730. They had 8 children. Believed to have arrived in Virginia 1751 or 1752, and may have later moved to Pitt County. Could have had ties to the Robert WILLIAMS family who had large land holdings on the south side of the Tar River near Falkland Landing.
—William James SMITH; 317 Oakwood Circle; Danville, VA 24541.

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I am trying to find out more about the Pitt Co. Samuel CHERRY (of the 1700s), husband of Nancy MOORING (Pitt Co.). He was the father of John CHERRY (Pitt Db T, page 237). He was the grandfather of Peggy CHERRY that married Willie DANIEL on June 28, 1806. Willie might have had a 1st wife named Prisa ANDREWS.
—Goldis Starling REEL, 102 Havenstraat St., Kernersville, NC 27284 (336-996-7004).

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I am researching the family of Ruth MEEKS BRITT. She was married to _____BRITT by 1819. Her father was Nathan MEEKS of Pitt Co., NC, born before 1742.
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Seeking info on Mills & Delilah (Drake) PEEL. Mills b. 1784, Hertford Co., NC, m. Delilah DRAKE, of Edgecombe Co., NC, ca. 1810. Moved to Burke Co., GA, ca. 1830. Their sons were James b. 1812; Levi b. 1815; Edmund b. 1817; Dempsey b. 1819; Thomas b. 1823; Unnamed dau. b. 1821; all born in Edgecombe Co., NC. Will pay any copy/postage costs.
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Jesse DILDY/DILDA died after 1820 census. Need country of origin and name of Ivey, his wife. In an old family Bible "was a MAY" is written by her name.
—Margaret EICHMAN; 1244 W. Crescent Ave.; Redlands, CA 92373-6539 (909-792-8847).

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Lookinng for information on Frances AVERETT, a widow, aged 42 at the time of the 1850 census. She is listed with children: Mary, Elizabeth, and Jordan AVERETT. Who was her husband? What was her maiden name.
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Seeking information on parents of John BROOKS, b. 1785, Pitt Co., d. Aug. 8, 1851; m. Mary KENNEDY. Also seeking information on the family of Ada Estelle BLAND, b. 1872, Pitt Co., d. ca. 1875; m. John Zachariah BROOKS on Dec. 15, 1890, in Pitt County. [Editor's Note: Dates typed as shown in query.]
—Judith B. MARCUM; 3366 W. 15th Pl.; Yuma, AZ 85364 (520-783-2759) <jbmarcum@sprynet.com>

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Looking for information about the descendants of Edward JOLLEY, who was b. 1876 in Beaufort Co., NC. He was the oldest son of John Hymon JOLLEY and Mary (Polly) WARREN. He married Malissa WHITEHURST of Pitt County in 1901.
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Would like to hear from other researchers of the HERRINGTON, JACKSON, HADDOCK, TAYLOR AND ALDERSON families of Pitt County, NC.
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Seeking information on parents of Moses STANDLEY (d. 1812, Wayne Co., NC); married Sally WEST, dau. of John WEST of Craven Co., NC.
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## WELL KNOWN CITIZEN OF WINTERVILLE DEAD

*Farmville Enterprise;* Fri., Nov. 5, 1920

Mr. Elias L. HAZLETON Dies after Lingering Illness; Funeral at Hugo.
Winterville Nov. 9. — On Tuesday, November 2, Mr. Elias L. HAZLETON passed away at his home in Winterville. Mr. HAZLETON had been in feeble health for several years, as the result of an accident at Kinston in 1913.
Mr. HAZLETON was born in Tyrrell county, September 7, 1845, being in his 76th year. He was the son of the late Dr. Christopher HAZLETON and Mary CALHOON HAZLETON. His parents died in his early childhood, he and his sister, Miss Ann HAZLETON, being the only survivors.
He entered Hillsboro College in Orange county in the fall fo 1860. In the Spring of 1864 he volunteered in the Civil War and was in service during the remainder of the war.
Mr. HAZLETON united with the Episcopal church at St. John's in Pitt county near Grifton, when he was a young man. He was of noble character, always standing for that which was upright and clean.
On April 4th 1871 Mr. HAZLETON was happily married to Miss Mary E. COWARD, daughter of the late John H. COWARD and Mary E. DIXON COWARD of Lenoir county. To them were born nine children five of whom survive. Mrs. HAZELTON died June 12, 1891. On March 23rd 1893 he was married to Miss Etta TAYLOR of Swansboro, North Carolina, who survives him. Five children were born to them, four of whom survive. The surviving children are: Mrs. W. H. BYNUM, Mayswille, N.C., Mrs. E. L. HAZLETON, of El Pas, Texas, Mrs. Mary E. SMITH, Hugo, N.C., Mrs. J. P. BYNUM and Mrs. Ray H. SMITH, Farmville, N.C.; and B. F. HAZLETON, Washington, N.C. and Miss Rachael and Mr. Sam HAZLETON of Winterville, North Carolina.
Burial services were held at the grave in the family burying ground on his farm at Hugo, North Carolina, conducted by Rev. Mr. CAVINESS of Grifton.

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# Revolutionary War Papers

Contributed by Roger Kammerer. All originals at NC Archives, Raleigh, North Carolina

**Power of Attorney of Josiah COLLINS**

Know all men by these presents that I Josiah COLLINS of the State of NoCarolina, and County of Pitt , the only heir, to my brother John COLLINS decd. in the revolutionary war (do authorise Darling CHERRY my attorney for me & in my name to apply and fix and draw a Land Warrant for the Servics of my said brother John COLLINS decd. in said war in the NoCarolina line, and do all other things touching said Business in as full and ample manner as if I were at the doing of it myself personally.

Witness my hand and Seal this 9th October 1819

Test Josiah (his mark) COLLINS {Seal}
Danl CHERRY
Laurence CHERRY

State of North Carolina
Currituck Superior Court of Law November Term 1819
The above power of Attorney was proved in open Court in due form of Law I also Certify that a true Copy of said power is filed in my office- proved by the oath of Daniel CHERRY & Laurence CHERRY. In testimony wherof I have herunto set my hand & seal at office in Currituck the 10th day of November Ano. Dom. 1819

Test S FEREBEE Clk

Recd. from the Secretarys Office a Military land warrant No. 285 to the Heirs of John COLLINS, this 27th Nov. 1819. Darling CHERRY

*Source: Secretary of State, Rev. Military Papers, 76.1, NC Archives*

**Power of Attorney of Joseph CORY**

Know all men by these Presents that I Joseph CORY of the State of North Carolina and County of Pitt the only heir to Shadrick CORY a Continental Soldier in the last War with Great brition do authorise Constitute and Appoint my worthy frind Darling CHERRY of the State of No Carolina and County of Martin my true and lawfull attorney for me and in my own name to ask demand Sue for I recover I Draw from the Secretaries office of the said State of No Carolina——A Military land Warrant for the Servics of him the Said—Shadrick CORY—as aforesaid and do every other think touching the Said Claim that he think Proper in as full & ample amanner in every respect manner and form as if I ware ther—Personally Presence myself In Witness Whereof I Hereunto set my hand and Seal this 12th day November 1809

Witness Joseph (his mark) CORY {Seal}
James BATES
John CHERRY

Shadrach CORY mustered for 3 years—no wt. drawn WW
Rec'd. this 29th Nov. 1809 from the Secretaries Office a Military Land Warrant No. 187 for 274 acres of Land.

Danl. CHERRY

*Source: Secretary of State, Rev. Military Papers, 254.1, NC Archives*

**Petition of James ROBASON**

State of No Carolina Pitt County
Personally appeared before us two Justices of the peace for Said County Mr James ROBASON and made Oath in due form that Reuben MOORE James MOORE Moses MOORE Nelson JAMES and Anna HENNONTON is the persons properally entitled to a Military Land Warrant for the Services of the said Noah ROBASON Decd in the revolutionary war Great Brittain against America Sworn to and Subscribed before us this 1st Day March 1817. James (his mark) ROBASON {Seal}

Test
Shad. SHIVERS JP
John BOWERS JP

We the two Justices whose names are underneath assigned do Certify that James ROBASON is a man of Credability and that due faith and Credit aught to be given to his Testimony Given under our hands this 1st day March 1817.

Shadr SHIVERS JP
John BOWERS JP

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I hereby Certify that Shadrach SHIVERS and John BOWERS are acting Justices of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid Given under my hand and seal of office at Greenesville the 4th March 1817

Attest Alex EVANS clk

*Source: Secretary of State, Rev. Military Papers, 53.3, NC Archives*

**Power of Attorney of William INGLISH**

Know all men by these presents that I William INGLISH of the State of North Carolina and County of Pitt one of the only heirs to Joseph INGLISH a Continental Soldier in the Revolutionary war in the North Carolina line do Authorise Constitute and appoint my Worthy friend Laurince CHERRY to Apply and Draw a Military Land warrant for the Services of him the Said Joseph INGLISH a Soldier as afore said and to do Every other thing touching the Said Business in Every Respect and manner and form as if I my Self was at the Doing of the Same In witness I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 5th Day of May 1820

Witnesses William (his mark) INGLISH {Seal}
Allen ANDERSON
Jacob (his mark) TURNER

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
I Alexander EVANS Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of the County of Pitt do hereby Certify that the within Power of Attorney was proved by open Court by the oaths of Allen ANDERSON and Jacob TURNER the two subscribing Witnesses thereto I also Certify that a true Copy of the within Power of Attorney is filed in my Office given under my hand and seal of the Court at Office the 5th May 1820

Alexander EVANS clk

*Source: Secretary of State, Rev. Military Papers, 49.12, NC Archives*

**Enlistment Record, 1779**

A Return of Continental Soldiers raised in Pitt County agreeable to Act of Assembly Passed at Johnston Court House in May 1779

| Mens Names | when enlisted | what Time Enlisted for |
|---|---|---|
| Brittain Jones | July 1, 1779 | Eighteen Months |
| Francis Newham | July 1, 1779 | Eighteen Months |
| William Hodges | July 1, 1779 | Eighteen Months |
| Benja. Ricks | July 1, 1779 | Eighteen Months |
| John Stevens | July 1, 1779 | Eighteen Months |

John Simpson Col

*Source: Pitt County Miscellaneous Records, C. R. 079.928.17, NC Archives*

**Power of Attorney of William Arnel**

State of North Carolina Pitt County
Know that I William ARNEL of County of Pitt but Lately a Soldier in the Continental army in this State, under the Continental Establishment do hereby Constitute and appoint Solomon COTTEN my Lawful attorney to Receive for me from Francis CHILD Comptroler my final settlement Sertificate if any in your office And Receipt for the Same as tho myself was present hereby Ratifying & Confirming what soever my sd attorney may do, tuching the primices as Witness, whereof I have here unto Set my hand Seal this 4th day of April 1791

Test William ARNEL {Seal}
John Salter

Pitt County I a Justis of the peace do hereby Certify that William ARNEL came before me and acknowledged the foregoing power of attorney to be his Act & dead and whose oath declared that he was a Continental Soldier in this State and that he hath Never Received his final Settlement Sertificate nor Sold the Same, and for his discharge he does not know what has become with it

John SALTER JP

*Source: Pitt County Miscellaneous Records, C. R. 079.928.17, NC Archives*

**Power of Attorney of Patrick QUENELLY**

State of NoCarolina Pitt County
Know ye that I Patrick QUELLENEY of the State afored Planter doe here by Constute and Appoint My friend Shadrick ALLIN my Lawfull Attorney to Receve from Francis CHILD Esqr. Comptroller my Final Setlements Due me as Heir to Shadrick QUINELLY Dect. a Solder In the Late War hereby Ratifying and Confrming what Ever my Said Atturney doe in the premem Giving under my hand & Seal this 2d Day of January 1792

Patrick (his mark) QUNELLY

Acknowledged before Me this
2nd Day of January 1792
Pitt County
I here by Certifye that Patrick QUINELLY Came be fore me one of the Justices for Said County and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney his Act & Deed and made Oath that he the Sd. Shadrick

QUENELLY was a Solder in the Continental Line, and that he for himself has not Recd. his final Setlements and his Brother Dide and No Discharge has fell in my Hands
F. COART JP Patrick (his Mark) QUINELLY

*Source: Pitt County Miscellaneous Records, C. R. 079.928.17, NC Archives*

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## October 8–9, 1999

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**All Pitt Countians (any century) are cordially invited.**

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Registration at 9:00 am
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Optional trips to court house (in walking distance)
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Meeting/Business at 9:00 am
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# Rev. Walter B. Nobles Family

The following letter was written by the Rev. Walter B. Nobles to Jesse L. Jackson, local historian. The letter was located in 1990 in the J. L. Jackson Papers, Sheppard Memorial Library, Greenville, NC. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

Winterville NC
Dec 31-1946

i forgot to give you the infermation i promised to i will note here each one you spoke of first (Allin Crawford he maried docie letchworth the sister of bill letchworth) he marie Rosine harris George nichols he maried fannie Slaughter the daughter of John Slaughter and mourning his wife) the tysons ar my people my father sister maried lemuel tyson there was born to them 3 boys and 3 girls boys yen john frank girls Sandy Judie and maybet John Stox he maried Sallie brewer there was born to them 4 boys ben Jo marcilis billie annie stox that uncle John Cox & ant betsy raised was bens daughter by his first wife henry tripp and waren tripp and litte josh were brothers in uncle redding family there was 4 boy Joshua Briyant Tom Redding one by ben died small there was 3 girls Jutry nicie i have forgot the name of the other girl) there was another alen Crawfrd that you did not Know he was the father of marin who died while you was a small boy (as for my people on the nobles side the first to come here tha cam from doublin irland Wiley nobles with his sone Elax just a Kid of 10 or 11 wen Elax was grown he maried he named his firstly Wiley When Wiley got maried he had 4 girls born to him Chrischany Elvira Almeter Clemmy boy 2 Simond Lorenzer) the second mariage 3 boys John tom Elax 3 girls Clara made july the nobler so far M father he had born to him 6 girls 5 boys john wily ben walter Willie tom girls Clemmie Martha an francis Mary lisa Martha an Bessie this the first mariage second 1 boy David 1 girl Ida as for my mothers people i recken your wife can give it better than i can i will give you some few helps as i Know if you have them put these in the waste basket
M mother was luisa brown the daughter of johnie brown and patsy in grand papa first mariage there was one boy alfred second mariage 5 girls ant fat ant adlade ant bet i forgot the name of the one maried brily one boy johnie as for my cousins i cant name them this is about all that i can furnish with out some help i hope you can read it and gather some thoughts that will be helpful to you Thank yo god bless you and your dear wife and all
Winterville NC
W. B. Nobles

My english may not be good but i hope you can make it out love to all come to see us in passing wishing you all a happy new year and the best of health and a bountiful store house from god W. B. N.

The following is a feature article on the life of Rev. Walter B. Nobles that appeared in the *Daily Reflector,* Aug. 21, 1954.

**Eighty-Eight Year Old Minister Is Still Active**

Living in a white frame house in Winterville is an 88-year-old man who has been a Free Will Baptist preacher for 41 years and even today has one church near Winterville. The long-time preacher is Walter NOBLES who was born just outside the Winterville Town limits and has lived there ever since. The minister has been in charge of several churches in his time but today only preaches in one church, the old Saints Delight Church.

Although his hearing has failed in recent months his mind is still alert and he can still recite verse after verse from the Bible. NOBLES says he has worn out nine copies of the Holy Bible over the years.

The minister would not let church authorities ordain him until he was 47 years old but he started in Sunday School work at the church at 18 years old. Since that time he has been active in church work in

one capacity or another to the present. NOBLES was superintendent at the Reedy Branch Free Will Baptist Church for 18 years.

"In my ministerial work I have married right around a thousand and held about the same number of funerals," NOBLES says in thinking back over the years. He says this year has been rather slow for both weddings and funerals. Only 16 couples have come to him to be married during the year and he has preached 11 funerals during the year so far.

The pastor notes that the church at which he is now preaching began to lose members when he left it in the past and he has returned from retirement twice to build it up. "It's going all right now," he says. the church has about 142 members at present. He indicated that the church has been in existence for 83 years and has been only one month without service. That was because of a flu epidemic.

For 55 and one half years NOBLES worked as a blacksmith in addition to his ministerial duties. "I worked in a shop right down yonder," he said pointing down the paved street leading to his house, "for 55 and one-half years." He remarked that he worked for the COX Manufacturing Company. NOBLES said that his main job consisted of looking after machinery, blacksmithing and wood work. "I made many a coffin and laid down in them to see if they would fit," he said. He was forced to quit his job because of a hand injury, however. "I got blood poison. I quit then because I was 75 years old." he notes. However, he still earns a living by whetting saws in the yard of his home and can be found most afternoons sharpening the cutting instruments on his work bench under a shady tree.

NOBLES has two children living— two boys and two girls and also two boys dead. His wife died two years ago. "I lived with my wife 52 and a half years and I miss her yet," he continued, "Thank God I never sassed her. I did everything I could for her and wish I could have done more."

NOBLES said that the neat white house in which he now lives was built with lumber off a small piece of land which he and his wife owned. They gave half the lumber from the land to put up the house. He says he worked out the expense of building the house "on the anvil" referring to the years he spent in the blacksmith shop.

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## Some Pitt County Death Notices in Various Papers

**Died.**
In Pitt county, on Saturday the 25th inst. Mr. Willis RANDOLPH, aged about 85 years, leaving a consourse of friends and relatives to mourn his departure.—Tarboro Free Press, Fri., Oct. 31, 1834.

**Found Dead**
Mr. W. H. BURNETT, a citizen of Beaver Dam township, met with a very sad death in the suburbs of this place on Monday night. He had been in town during the afternoon, was drinking freely, and never started home until after night. He had purchased a bale of hay and a barrel of pork, which he had placed in his cart, and when he left town was very drunk. On Tuesday morning about sunrise his body was found a short distance from the town limits, the barrel of pork near him and the bale of hay about a hundred yards back towards town, his mule having kept on home. It is supposed that he managed in some way to upset the cart, the barrel of pork falling upon him, breaking several of his ribs and crushing in his side so as to cause almost instant death. His body was taken to the residence of Mr. J. B. WORSLEY, and during the morning the Coroners jury held an inquest, returning a verdict which stated in substance that Mr. BURNETT came to his death in the above manner.—*Eastern Reflector*, May 28, 1884.

**Old Soldier Dead**
After an illness of sometime Mr. W. H. WILKINSON, of Farmville, died at his home last week at the ripe old age of seventy-two years. He was one of the oldest and most widely-known citizens of the county, and had lived in Pitt County for a great part of his life. He was in the Civil War and took part in the battle of Gettysburg, and was at Cold Harbor, and in the battles around Richmond. He was born in Edgecombe County, near Autrey's Creek church. He leaves a wife, four daughters, and two sons, one of whom is Mr. C. L. WILKINSON, of this town.—*Eastern Reflector*, Friday, Oct. 3, 1913.

# Great Swamp Church Records

The following church records were abstracted by Roger Kammerer from microfilm located in the East Carolina Manuscript Collection, J. Y. Joyner Library, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC. For a brief history of the Great Swamp Primitive Baptist Church see the Pitt County Genealogical Journal, Vol. IV, No. 1, February 1997.

Oct. 24, 1795- Great Swamp constituted a church, Noah TISON called as pastor, asked conference to dismiss him from his other church. Opened door for admission of new members:

John MOORING, a member of our church

William BAULDREE

Nicey TISON

Lydia SPAIN

Dec. 26, 1795- received Alexander LEVY and Elizabeth LEVY by dismission from Brother Samuel BURKITTS church. Received Jonas SHIVERS.

undated COVENANT signed by Noah TISON pastor

David FLEMING (deacon), Thomas MOORE (deacon), Henry MOORE, Jesse SHIVERS, James NOWELS (dismissed), Henry BARNHILL, Keley TUCKER, Willam MOORING (petitioner), John MOORING Jr., William BAULDREE, Alexander LEVY, James SHIVERS, James EWELL, Isaac CHURCH (dead), William SPAIN, Augustin SPAIN, William ROBSON, Underhill ELLIS (dismissed), Edmund REECKS, Jesse BARNHILL, Hardee LEVY, Henry LEVY, Jacob MOORE, Sarah SHIVERS, Eade DAVIS (excommunicated), Ann LITTLE, Elizabeth BAULDREE, Betty MOORE, Betty BARNHILL, Milly SPAIN, Sucky TUCKER, Jeremiah HERRENTON (excommunicated), Elizabeth NOWELL (dismissed), Nicey TISON, Lydia SPAIN, Elizabeth LEVY (dead), Sarah SHIVERS, Sarah ROBSON, Elizabeth BROWN, Gracey MOORING, Crissey EWELL, Clarey BROWN, Matthew CASON, Ann FLAKE (dead), Mary WHALEY, Sarah MOORING, Margaret KNOX, ~~Winny CHERRY~~ (crossed out), Mary GILBERT, Elizabeth SPAIN, Avey WHICHARD, Lydia CHURCH, Sarah NOBLES, Anny ABRAMS, Elsey SPAIN, _____Moor.

Jan. 23, 1796- received Sarah SHIVER, James EWELL, Misses Albritton DAVEY, Charey ROGERS.

Feb. 27, 1796- James NOWELL and Elizabeth NOWELL have petitioned for their dismission and dismissed by letter.

Sister Elizabeth LEVY died Dec. 17, 1796

April 23, 1796- received Sarah ROBSON by dismission from the Flat Swamp church.

May 21, 1796- received Nanney FLAKE, Gracey MOORING.

Sept. 24, 1796- received Elizabeth BROWN.

Oct. 21, 1796- received Crissy EWELL, Clary BROWN. Ordered brother David FLEMING cite Jeremiah HERRINTON to next conference.

Nov. 26, 1796- Jeremiah HERRINTON excommunicated from church fellowship. Received Mary WHALY by dismission from Flat Swamp church.

Feb. 26, 1797- Ede DAVIS excommunicated from church fellowship.

April 22, 1797- received Isaac CHURCH by dismission from the Flat Swamp church.

June 24, 1797- received Matthew CASON by dismission from the Flat Swamp church.

Mar. 24, 1798- received Jinny, of ELLIS by dismission from Bro. BURKITT church.

April 26, 1798- received Sarah MOORING from dismission from Bro. PHIPS church.

June 26, 1798- received Marget KNOX by dismission from Flat Swamp church.

July 21, 1798- received William SPAIN, Winny CHERRY.

Nov. 26, 1798- received Augustin and wife Elizabeth SPAIN members of our Church in order for baptism..

Mar. 23, 1799- received Mary GILBERT by dismission from Flat Swamp church.

Sept. 21, 1799- Sister CHERRY excommunicated from church fellowship.

Oct. 25, 1799- received Underhill ELLIS.

Jan. 25, 1800- Marthy CASON cited for non-attendance.

Ann FLAKE died May 5, 1800

June 21, 1800- received Sarah NOBLE by dismission from Flat Swamp church.

Dec. 27, 1800- Bro. BARNHILL had been a public transgressor. He made a public confession and gave satisfaction to the church.

April 25, 1801- received Anny ROBSON.

July 25, 1801- Bro. Nathan MAYO chosen moderator. Brother John MOORING chosen clerk.

July 18, 1801- Conference called by Joshea BARNS at FORBES Meeting house. Received Edmund BEEKS.

Sept. 27, 1801- Jesse SHIVERS chosen moderator. William ROBASON chosen clerk.

Oct. 24, 1801- received John MOOR.

Dec. 26, 1801- received Anny BURRIS.

Jan. 23, 1802- Sister WHALEY dismissed with letter.

Feb. 27, 1802- Augustine SPAIN cited for non-attendance.

Mar. 27, 1802- received Henry LEVY, Jesse BARNHILL, Hardee LEVY, Jacob MOOR, Sarah MOOR, Nelly- a black woman.

April 24, 1802- received Catron EWELL, Nancy FOWLER, Gracey LEVY, Sarah- a black woman. Received George FOWLER by letter from Coneho church. A committee was formed to reconcile the two sisters WHICHARD, but could not.

May 5, 1802- received Winny LEWIS, Nancy ROBSON, William SPAIN.

May 7, 1802- received Hannah EVERETT, Sovern ROBSON, John WILLIAMS, Isaac BRILEY, Brister- a black man.

May 24, 1802- received George BARNHILL, Elizabeth BARNHILL, Rebeccah BARNHILL, Edmund MOORE.

Baptism held at CLARKS mill.

June 14, 1802- received Pleasant LITTLE, Thomas LEVY.

June 26, 1802- received Mary EQUALS, Ann BALLARD by dismission from Red Banks church, Ede DAVIS. Received for baptism, Jacob BRILEY, William BARNHILL, Brigget ROBSON, William BRILEY, Ede BARNHILL.

July 24, 1802- received Elijah HARRIS, John PARRAMORE, Wiley DANIEL, Knoble STANCILL, Drewry NOBLES. Baptism held at the low ground of the river.

Aug. 21, 1802-received Elizabeth ROBSON, Suky ROBSON, Edmund LITTLE, Spencer MOORE, Sarah COPER, Rebecca BEEKS, Allis COPER, John HARVEY, Benjamin ROGERS, James BROWN, Celah WILLIAMS, Nicey MITCHELL, Joseph BRILEY, Charity EVERETT, Sally HARRIS, Stephen- a black man.

Sept. 23, 1802- received William BARROW, Luke ALBRITTON, Sally ROBSON, Rebecca SHIVERS, Hanner LITTLE, Ruthy MOOR, Ester SHIVERS, James BARROW, Mary FLEMING, Jess & Jacob- black men, Mary NICKELS.

Oct. 22, 1802- received Mary MOOR, Zach PINKET, Clary CASON, Patsey ALBRITTON, Thomas ADAMS. Brother John MOOR and Bro. Tucker and wife dismissed with letter. Jacob MOOR is appointed commissioner in room of William ROBSON dec'd. for building addition to meeting house. William ROBSON died Sept. 20, 1802. Ordered that Bro. Jonas SHIVERS and Bro. James EWELL have leave to excercise their gifts in public.

Nov. 26, 1802-received Matthew CONGLETON. Bro. ROGERS excommunicated for disorderly conduct.

Dec. 25, 1802-received David CHRISTY and wife by dismission from Flat Swamp Church. Ordered Sister Hannah EVERETT and daughter, Bro. Archabel ADAMS and Sister Patsy ALBRITTON have letters of dismission.

Feb. 26, 1803-received Rebecca ROGERS. Ede DAVIS excommunicated for misconduct. Bro. Augustin SPAIN and wife excluded from the church for departing from the Church without a dismission. Bro. Drewry NOBLES cited for drinking too much.

March 26, 1803-Sister Lydia SPAIN cited for keeping a single mans house, she refusing to withdraw herself, is excluded from the Church. Bro. Drewry NOBLES is excluded for drinking.

March 1803- received John CHERRY, James ROBSON, Nancy CHERRY, Peggy CHERRY.

April 23, 1803- received Lydia MAY. Brother W. DANIEL called for drinking. Celah WILLIAMS is excommunicated. Bro. George FOWLER and wife have letter of dismission.

May 21, 1803- Brothers Jonas SHIVERS and James EWELL are ordained as preachers of the Gospel.

June 25, 1803- received Floyd HODGES, Samuel ALBRITTON, George COOPER, John WHICHARD, Jesse MOORE, Nancy CASON. Baptisms held at Mr. Clarks mill.

July 23, 1803-received William KNOX, Rebeccah LITTLE, Elizabeth DANIEL, Reuben MOOR, Sucey NOBLES, Ben NOBLES.

July 1803-received Crissy NORRIS, Sarah HARVEY, Caesar and Amy, blacks owned by Mrs. LITTLE.

Sept. 24, 1803-Matter brought up between Sarah COOPER and Bro. BALDREE and wife. Bro. William SPAIN cited for drinking too much.

Oct. 21, 1803- Sister COOPER excommunicated.

Nov. 26, 1803- Jesse a negro charged with theft. Davey a negro property of William BARROW. Grievences against Jesse. Moses negro owned by Henry CASON cited for running away from his master. Luke ALBRITTON cites his mother Dovey to witness against Jesse and Adam ALBRITTON. Roger a negro excommunicated for committing rape on a black woman. Jacob a negro cited for too much drink. Sovern ROBASON cited for too much drink. Brother ROGERS cited for too much violence against his wife.

Dec. 24, 1803- Jesse a negro owned by Hillary CHERRY excommunicated. Hardee LEVY cited for too much drink. Bro. Jesse SHIVERS chosen deacon.

Jan. 21, 1804- received Annes BOWERS. Jacob BRILEY cited for gambling.

Feb. 25, 1804- Jacob BRILEY excommunicated. Bro. WOOLARD cited for drinking too much.

March 24, 1804- received Lydia HERRINTON, Chloe ROBSON, Nearer, a negro man the property of Mrs. HODGES. Jacob, a negro man the property of Henry MOORE excommunicated for theft. Elisabeth CHRISTEY dismissed.

April 5, 1804- received Martha HODGES.

April 21, 1804- received Suky FLAKE, Sarah BRILEY. Sister Ann COLLINS cited for defraud and abuse to David BARNHILL. Henry LEVY cited for vice and immorality.

May 26, 1804- Ben WOOLARD confessed. Sister Ann COLLINS excluded from the Church. Henry LEVY restored.

June 23, 1804- George BARNHILL cited for disorder, Ann BARNHILL witness.

July 20, 1804- George BARNHILL excluded from Church. Jesse SHIVERS ordained as deacon. Caesar, Amy and Nearer are dismissed by request.

Oct. 27, 1804- received Annis MOORE. Sovern ROBASON cited for intemperance.

Nov. 24, 1804- Sarah SHIVERS dismissed.

Dec. 24, 1804- Henry LEVY and wife and son dismissed.

Feb. 24, 1805- Sterling ROGERS elected moderator. Sister ABRAMS excommunicated. Sister Elizabeth WOOLARD excommunicated.

March 23, 1805- Sister COOPER and Lydia HERRINTON had a disagreement.

April 27, 1805- Willey DANIEL cited and excommunicated for too much drink.

May 25, 1805- Bro. James EWELL appointed pastor of this Church. Benjamin BRILEY informed the Church that Sister Anny BUROUGHS has accused him with doing an injustice.

June 22, 1805- received Mary BRILEY. Bro. John WOOLARD used ill language.

July 27, 1805- received Anny BARNHILL by letter from Flat Swamp. William BARROW cited and excommunicated for drinking and fighting. Samuel ALBRITTON charged and excommunicated for drinking and racing. Baptism held at BARBERS mill.

Aug. 24, 1805- Jolly MAY guilty of adultry and Nancy CASON of fornication.

Sept. 21, 1805- Jolly May and Nancy CASON excommunicated. John WOOLARD excommunicated. Forbes Meeting house mentioned. Moses a negro cited for disorderly conduct.

Feb. 22, 1806- Brister, negro man of John SALTER mentioned.

March 22, 1806- Moses, negro man of Mrs. Henry CASON is excommunicated for lying and theft. Received Sister COCKBURN by letter from Flat Swamp.

April 26, 1806- Sister Peggy NOBLES left without dismission.

June 21, 1806- Bro. William RUFF mentioned.

Sept. 21, 1806- William BRILEY cited for fighting.

Oct. 25, 1806- Sovern ROBASON and Edmund LITTLE cited for too much drinking.

Nov. 24, 1806- Jonas SHIVERS and wife dismissed, they about to move to the State of Tennessee.

Feb. 21, 1807- William RUFF dismissed. Clary CASON dismissed. George COOPER and wife left without dismission and are excommunicated.

Sept. 26, 1807- William BRILEY cited for drinking and fighting.

Dec. 26, 1807- Davy, a black man is excommunicated for hog stealing. Bro. Pleasant LITTLE and wife dismissed.

June 25, 1808- received Nancy CRISP by letter from Fishing Creek.

Sept. 24, 1808- Bro. Sovern ROBASON excommunicated.

Oct. 23, 1808- Bro. Edmund LITTLE cited for too much drinking.

Dec. 21, 1808- Edmund LITTLE excommunicated.

April 22, 1809- Polly MOOR excommunicated for non attendance. Received Sarah SHIVERS by letter from Crossroads Church. Allis COOPER in fellowship again.

Oct. 20, 1809- Allis COOPER dismissed. Bro. David FLEMING and Bro. Henry MOORE visited Bro. Luke ALBRITTON upon the cause of his absence from the Church and tried to comfort him in his dejected state.

Oct. 1810- Edmund MOORE excluded for non attendance.

Nov. 1810- Bridget ROBERSON excluded.

July 1811- Bro. William SPAIN excommunicated for drinking. Benjamin NOBLES and wife dismissed.

March 1811- Bro. Luke ALBRITTON's case was taken up and after much indulgence and tenderness used towards him he is hereby excommunicated.

Aug. 1811- Isaac BRILEY is excluded. Davy, a black man property of Adam ALBRITTON is excluded.

Nov. 1811- Anny BURROWS dismissed.

May 1812- received Polly LATHAM by dismission from Tranters Creek. Rachel HARRIS absent for a long time and now lives near Smithwick Creek.

June 1812- received Lydia MAY.

Sept. 1812- received Sister Eliza DUDLEY.

Oct. 1812- Henry MOORE excluded for fornication.

Feb. 1813- Joseph BRILEY acknowledged himself a public transgressor for drinking too much. Polly LATHAM dismissed.

Oct. 1813- received Elizabeth FLEMING by dismission from Flat Swamp Church.

March 1814- William BRILEY excommunicated.

July 1814- Rachel HARRIS excluded for non attendance. Sary MOORE dismissed.

Nov. 1814- Nancy MITCHELL dismissed.

Jan. 1815- Bro. BALDREE and wife dismissed to HANCOCKS meeting house.

March 1816- Elsy HARRIS removed to Georgia without dismission and is excommunicated. Received Nancy MITCHELL.

May 1816- Annis BOWERS excommunicated for disorderly conduct.

March 1817- Church gave money to Sarah HARRIS for support.

May 1817- Nelly OUTEN a negro is excommunicated.

June 1817- Ned, a black man owned by James RANDOLPH received.

May 1818- William KNOX excommunicated.

May 1819- Solomon, a black man received.

Sept. 1819- Cato, a black man received.

Dec. 1819- William BRILEY excommunicated.

Feb. 1821- Hardy WHICHARD received.

May 1821- Elizabeth BARNHILL received.

June 1821- death of Brother SHIVERS talked about.

Sept. 1821- Sukey MAY dismissed.

Oct. 1821-received Sophia CLARK, Margaret SALTER, Sufex and Dick, negroes.

Nov. 1821- received at Greenville, Sisters BONDS and Nicy HATTON and Martha GRIFFIN.

Jan. 1822- Bro. ROBERSON and wife dismissed.

March 1822-received Nat, a negro man owned by James STATON.

June 1822- received Elizabeth BRILEY, Abram owned by John NORCOTT, Patty owned by Thomas ALLEN. Roger a negro excommunicated.

Aug. 1822- Ned a negro excommunicated.

Sept. 1822- Sally a black sister dismissed.

Oct. 1822- Nat a negro excommunicated.

Feb. 1823- Annis FLEMING restored to fellowship.

April 1823- Hardy WHICHARD chosen as deacon.

May 1823- Martha GRIFFIN dismissed. Jesse MOORE chosen as deacon in room of Bro. FLEMING dec'd.

Aug. 1823- received Elizabeth MAY, Sally WHITE. Sisters Mary FALCONER and Charity WILLIAMS.

April 1824- received Nancy EASON, Sarah BUCKES, Rebecca STONE. Received at Greenville a negro owned by James SHEPPARD.

June 25, 1825- received Repsey SHIVERS, Richard BALDREE.

Dec. 1825- received Elizabeth McGOWAN, Clary, negro of A. PARKER.

March 1826- Annis FLEMING excommunicated. J. MOORING church clerk is dead.

April 1826- received Nancy BUCK, Edmund A. DANIEL, Nat a negro, Jinny owned by John BUCK, Dealy owned by Jesse MOORE. Samuel STONE is excommunicated. John NORCOTT's Abram petitions for liberty to preach. Dicy BALDREE was received at a meeting in Greenville.

May 1826- received Wealthy PATRICK, Judy owned by NORCOTT. Elizabeth MAYO dismissed to some western county.

June 1826- received Lewis HATTON.

July 1826- received Molly BRILEY, Martha STANCILL, Willis FLEMING. Nat dismissed. Elizabeth HENDUN___? dismissed.

July 1826- received Sally SPAIN. Ellenor BARROW dismissed.

Aug. 1826- received Sarah, owned by SIMONS. Benjamin BRILEY dismissed

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## Some Pitt County Marriage Notices in the Tarboro Press

Married. On the evening of the 7th Dec. last. at Plymouth, Mississipi, Col. John H. IRBY, of Mecklenburg county, Va. to Miss Margaret A. EVANS, late of Pitt county, N.C.—*Tarboro Free Press,* Friday, Mar. 14, 1834.

Married. In Pitt county, on Thursday evening, 19th inst. by Howell HEARN, Esq. Mr. Wm. C. R. SUMMERRELL, of this place [Edgecombe County], to Miss Mary JOHNSTON, daughter of James JOHNSTON, dec'd.—*Tarboro Press,* Sat., Feb. 28, 1835.

Married. In Pitt county, on the 19th inst. by Isaac JOINER, Esq. Mr. Hugh P. HARPER, of Greene county, to Miss Marny JOINER, daughter of John JOINER, Esq.—*Tarboro Press,* Sat., Aug. 29, 1835.

Married. In this county [Edgecombe], on Thursday, the 8th inst. by Wm. C. LEIGH, Esq. Mr. Richard WARREN of Pitt county, to Miss Elizabeth THIGPEN, daughter of Mr. Lemuel THIGPEN.—*Tarboro Press,* Sat., Oct. 24, 1835.

Married. In Pitt county, on Tuesday evening, the 14th inst. by Rev. John SINGLETARY, Edmund B. FREEMAN, Esq. of Raleigh, to Mrs. Elizabeth FOREMAN, daughter of Dr. Robert WILLIAMS. —*Tarboro Press,* Sat., Nov. 25, 1837.

# Pitt Co. Tax List 1786

NC General Assembly Papers; G. A.101.1, North Carolina Archives.
Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

Cover:
A List of Taxables for the 1786 of Captain Smith & Captn Allens Compy Taken — By John Allen.

Examined —Jno Allens Lest

List of Taxable
property 1786

| Names | Quantity of Land | White Polls | Black Polls | Town Lotts | Value of Do | Covering Horses | Price pr. Season |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Oliver Sollom | 100 | 1 | | | | | |
| Moore James | | 1 | | | | | |
| Mores William | 378 | 1 | | | | | |
| Clark Isaac | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Ketterel Jonathan | 325 | 1 | | | | | |
| Phillips James Jur. | 190 | 1 | | | | | |
| Phillips Thos Senr. | 480 | 1 | | | | | |
| Wiggins John | 140 | 1 | | | | | |
| Jackson Joseph | 1898 | 1 | 5 | | | | |
| Garrel William | 550 | 2 | | | | | |
| Charlton Joseph | 150 | 1 | | | | | |
| Kemp Isaac | 200 | 1 | | | | | |
| Willis John | 228 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Willis Joel | 332 | 1 | | | | | |
| Willis Ephriam | 270 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Stafford William | 419 | 1 | | | | | |
| Cannon Nathaniel | 565 | 1 | 3 | | | | |
| Hillins William | 650 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Simmons Saml. | 100 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Smith Henry | 100 | 1 | | | | | |
| Cannon Elizabeth | 1140 | | 13 | | | | |
| Pugh Hugh Junr. | 533 | 1 | | | | | |
| Guartney Harnah | 225 | | | | | | |
| Gatlen Elizabeth | 625 | | 4 | | | | |
| Gatlen Stephen | 500 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Jarrels William | [torn] | | | | | | |
| Cox Jeremiah | [torn] | | | | | | |
| Allen John | [torn] | | 11 | | | 1 | 40/ per season |
| Hutchens Elijah | ·100 | 1 | | | | | |
| Williams Anna | | | 2 | | | | |
| Hutchens Edwd. | 140 | 1 | | | | | |
| Warens Jacob | 400 | 1 | | | | | |
| Cammel Jas. | 500 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Clark Osburn | 50 | 1 | | | | | |
| Jarrel Jacob | 150 | 1 | | | | | |
| Chapman Jesse | 380 | 1 | 1 | | | | |

| Names | Quantity of Land | White Polls | Black Polls | Town Lotts | Value of Do | Covering Horses | Price pr. Season |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hickman Jacob | | 1 | | | | | |
| Pugh Hugh Senr. | 2136 | 2 | 12 | | | | |
| Smith John | 868 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Chance Magt. | 300 | | | | | | |
| Barret Wm. | | 1 | | | | | |
| Gardner Edward | 300 | 1 | | | | | |
| Kights Saml. | 200 | 1 | | | | | |
| Adams Williby | 590 | 1 | | | | | |
| Smith Abrm. | 75 | 1 | | | | | |
| Ventery Pottana | 550 | 1 | | | | | |
| Tutens John | 175 | 1 | | | | | |
| Gardner Isaac | 650 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Cox Aron | 305 | 2 | | | | | |
| Wherry Anthony | 586 | 1 | 6 | | | | |
| [W?]herry Wm. [torn] | 500 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Pelts Henry | 150 | 1 | | | | | |
| Pelts John | 200 | 1 | | | | | |
| Leachworth Jos. | 500 | 1 | | | | | |
| Wilbrigs Thos. | | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| Gardner Jesse | 316 | 1 | | | | | |
| Smith Saml. | 442 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Allen Shah. | 1127 | 1 | 5 | | | | |
| Corben James | | 1 | | | | | |
| Harvey Ann | 1030 | | 8 | | | | |
| Blount Jacob | 7313 | | 26 | 1 | | | |
| Patrick Joel | 1210 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Quiling Edward | | 1 | | | | | |
| Williams Talbot | | 1 | | | | | |
| Allen Joseph | 560 | 1 | 5 | | | | |
| Ross Ed | 220 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Smith Cannon | 200 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Kenned David Sr. | | 1 | | | | | |
| Quiney Ann | 100 | | | | | | |
| Kennedy Dad. | | | | | | | |
| Peters Joseph | 500 | 1 | | | | | |
| Ross Charles | | 1 | | | | | |
| Quunnily Patk. | | 1 | | | | | |
| Jones Wm. | 520 | 1 | | | | | |
| Smith Plath | 100 | 1 | | | | | |
| Harrison Jos | | 1 | | | | | |
| Loyns Wm. | | 1 | | | | | |
| Ross Lewis | 380 | 1 | | | | | |
| Browning Danl. | 550 | 1 | | | | | |
| Patrick John | 600 | 1 | | | | | |
| Megahorn Jno. | 300 | 3 | | | | 1 | 10/ per season |
| Phillips Thos. | 1297 | 1 | 6 | | | | |
| Phillips Jno. | 1180 | | 8 | | | | |
| Kennedy Jno. | | 1 | | | | | |
| King Britain | 680 | | 1 | | | | |
| Lambird Wm. | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Mannin Saml. | 300 | 2 | | | | | |
| Browning Perigin | 195 | 1 | | | | | |
| Murphy William | 1074 | 2 | 2 | | | | |
| Gatlen Levi | 375 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Blackledge Ann | 335 | | 8 | | | | |

| Names | Quantity of Land | White Polls | Black Polls | Town Lotts | Value of Do | Covering Horses | Price pr. Season |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Adams William | 200 | 1 | | | | | |
| Sutten David | 400 | 1 | | | | | |
| Pollard John | 440 | 1 | | | | | |
| Rountree John | 200 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Rountree Moses | 150 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Buds Thomas | | 2 | | | | | |
| Locker Henry | 40 | 1 | | | | | |
| Weathernton Robt. | 60 | 1 | | | | | |
| Cuppers James | 500 | 1 | | | | | |
| Hairfoot Malicai | 300 | 2 | | | | | |
| Charton George | | 1 | | | | | |
| Butler Arthur | 257 | 1 | | | | | |
| Adam Ezekiel | 80 | 1 | | | | | |
| Causey Ann | 550 | | | | | | |
| Cannon Edward L. | 100 | 2 | | | | | |
| Warren Jeremiah | 500 | 1 | | | | | |
| Hardie John | 200 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Smyth James | 80 | 1 | | | | | |
| Rountree Rheuben | 150 | 1 | | | | | |
| Wingate Elizabeth | 260 | | | | | | |
| Wingate Isaac | 200 | 1 | | | | | |
| Jones Walter | 330 | 1 | | | | | |
| Cannon Edward | 300 | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| Debenports William | 150 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Turnage George | 75 | 1 | | | | | |
| Wingate John | 600 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Patrick Micajah | 150 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Harris Joseph | | 1 | | | | | |
| Davis Prescot | 300 | 1 | | | | | |
| Hooten Caleb | 430 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| Peters Etheldred | 520 | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| Coleman Thos. | 1018 | 1 | 3 | | | | |
| Williams Willis | | 1 | | | | | |
| Davis Lawson | 100 | 2 | | | | | |
| Smith Henry | 310 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Jurden Wm. | 100 | 1 | | | | | |
| Fife Hannah | 100 | | | | | | |
| Moy George | 500 | 1 | | | | | |
| Shippe Mary | 244 | | 1 | | | | |
| Truluck George | 300 | 1 | | | | | |
| Truluck Sutton | | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | 1 barrel of corn per season |
| Spivey Moses | 290 | 1 | | | | | |
| Vinson Jesse | 150 | 1 | | | | | |
| Clark Edward | 250 | 1 | | | | | |
| Jarrel Henry Junr. | | 2 | | | | | |
| Browning George | 200 | 2 | | | | | |
| Jarrel Fredk. | | 1 | | | | | |
| Jarrel Henry Senr. | 300 | 2 | 3 | | | 1 | at 20/per season |
| Rountree Wm. | 701 | 1 | | | | | |
| Fish Thos. | 1070 | 3 | 2 | | | | |
| Jackson Jos. | 300 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Gurden Edwd. | 450 | 2 | 4 | | | | |

# Pitt County Wills

## Will of Jethro Kittrell, 1856

Taken from the Pitt County Wills, C.R. 079. 801, NC Archives.

To the Worshipful Justices of the County Court of Pitt County.

Your Petr. Stanly KITTERELL Shewth that at _____Term of your Court the last will and testament of Jethro KITTRELL decd. late of this County was duly admited to probate and filed in the office of said Court. That at the same time your Petr. was appointed administrator with the will annexed and gave bond and qualified. That in January in the year 1858 the Court House of this County was destroyed by fire and the said will and the records of the probate were Consumed in the Conflagration. The said will in Substance was as follows, towit, I Jethro KITTRELL do loan unto my beloved wife Anne KITTRELL all my property during her natural life or widow hood that I may be possessed of at my decease provided She shall pay all my just debts and raise and school my Children, It is my desire that my wife Anne Shall Keep all my Children and raise them out of the proceeds of my farm. The property I loan to my wife is as follows, One tract of land whereonI now live one other tract of land Known as the Gallberry land; all of my household and Kitchen furniture, stock of all Kinds, all of my slaves named Mike, Charles, Susan & Flora All of my Crop that may be on hand all of my farming utensils. If my wife should marry at any time then the above item is null & void.

Item 2 After the death of my wife I give and bequeath unto my two youngest daughters Louisa & Susan Margaret all my lands to be equally divided between them.

Item It is my wish & desire that my other Children Shall receive an amount equal to half of the value of my land out of my other property. The Children I allude to are Mary Jane Nancy and Sally Ann Kittrell. And if there shall be a balance it Shall be equally divided among all my heirs above named.

Wit S. A. KITTRELL Sept 25 1856.
Stanly KITTRELL Jethro KITTRELL.

Your Petr. Shewth that the said Anne KITTRELL Louisa, Susan Margaret, Mary Jane, Nancy and Sally Ann are the only legatees, heirs at law and next of Kin of the said Testator and that Sally Ann and Margaret have died intestate without issue surviving them since the death of the said testator and have no legal representative. In Consideration whereof & to the end that the said records may be restored and that your worships will declare whether such records existed and what the Contents of said will are. And make such other and further orders and decres (?) as the nature of the Circumstances of this case may require

May it please your worships to cause the said Anne Kittrell, Louisa Kittrell, Mary Jane Kittrell and Nancy Kittrell to be made parties defendants to the petition that they may appear and answer plead or demur thereto. And your Petr. as in duty re. E. C. YELLOWLEY
WL. for Petr.

Stanly KITTRELL the petitioner maketh oath that the facts in the foregoing petition are true and the substance of the Contents of said will truly and correctly set forth to the best of his Knowledge information and belief. Sworn to

## Will of Simon Keel, 1841

Taken from the Pitt County Wills, C.R. 079. 801.10, NC Archives.

In the name of God Amen. I Simon KEEL of the County of Pitt & State of North Carolina, being low in health, but of Sound disposing mind & memory do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament, in manner & form following (viz)

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson James F. KEEL one Trast or parcel of land, on the North Side of Tar River & bounded as follows Beginning at a Gum in Rogers line to the heirs of Winfield

SATTERWAITES line then with their line to an agreed line between Simon KEEL & Stephen HERRINGTON then with the said agreed line to a Gum to a pine & from thence to the beginning Containing forty acres more or less, to him & his heirs forever.

Item 2nd I give to my beloved wife Penny KEEL all my Stock Consisting of Cows, Hogs and Horses, also all my household & Kitchen furniture to her & her heirs forever.

Item 3rd I lend to my beloved wife Penny KEEL the Land and plantation whereon I now live during her natural life.

Item 4th I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Penny KEEL negro woman Ann & her youngest child named Louisa, to her and her heirs forever. I also lend her the following negroes (viz) Olivia & Eliza, during her natural life & after her death I lend the aforesaid negroes Olivia & Eliza to my daughter Nancy MOORE during her natural life & after her death I give the aforesaid negroes to the children of the aforesaid Nancy MOORE, to them and their heirs forever.

Item 5th (overwritten 6th) I give to my beloved Penny KEEL all my Corn, Bacon, Peas & Fodder, all the Poultry of every description.

Item 7th I give to my daughter Margaret KINSAUL Wife of Reuben KINSAUL five Dollars to her and her heirs forever.

Lastly I nominate Constitute & appoint my beloved Wife Penelope KEEL my whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament, revoking all other or former Will by me heretofore made. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand & Seal This 22nd day of February 1841.

Simon (his mark) KEEL

Signed Sealed published & Declared to be the last Will & Testament of the aforesaid Simon KEEL in the presence of us Blount SPEIR
Jno BUGH

Penny KEEL Executrix
vs
Reuben KINSAUL May Term 1842
Jury on the Trial of this cause Lambert P. BEARDSLEY, Thomas FORNES, Noah BEDFORD, Allen TISON, Bryant ADAMS, Willie BROWN, Josiah BARRETE, A. D. MOYE, John TRIPP, Willie WALLACE, John K. WETHERINGTON & Robert ROBERTSON who being sworn & impaneled Say that they find the paper writing offered is the last Will & Testament of Simon KEEL & sufficient to pass both real & personal estate. On motion Penny KEEL Executrix now qualified To said Will, Ordered by the Court that letters Testamentary issue to the Said Penny KEEL & the said Will & Testament be adjudged the last Will & Testament of Simon KEEL & be recorded.

attest Archibald Parker Clerk

Item 5th After the death of my beloved Wife Penny KEEL, I give the land & plantation whereon I now live to my Grandchildren Bennet KEEL Martha KEEL & Samuel KEEL to them & their heirs forever

## Will of Elizabeth Tison, 1846

Taken from the Pitt County Wills, C.R. 079. 801.16, NC Archives.

In the name of God Amen. I Elizabeth W. TISON of the State of North Carolina & County of Pitt, Reconing the uncertainty of life, & the Certainty of death, & being in a weak & low state of health, but of sound disposing mind & memory, ( thank God for the same) & having a desire to dispose of my worldly estate — do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following

Item 1st (viz) I give unto my beloved Son Sherrod TISON one negro boy named Windsor, one bed, bedstead & furniture, one large trunk, one half dozen stool chairs, wooden bottoms, one half dozen silver

table spoons, one brandy still, one desk, one Candle & one wash stand, one Cow & Calf, one table maple, & one large glass bottle — to him his heirs & assigns forever —

Item 2nd I give to my beloved daughter Emily TISON one negro girl Charity, one Side board, one large trunk, one wash stand, half dozen stool chairs (flag bottom) one dozen silver teaspoons, & the silver tongs, one bed, bedstead & furniture, two cows & calves, one large china table, one large brass kettle, & one large glass Jar, to her & her heirs forever.

Item 3rd I give unto my daughter Margaret Ann SHEPPARD the sum of one hundred dollars to be paid her by my Executor, as soon as he may think the situation of my estate will admit of it, one walnut table, the half dozen stool chairs with wooden bottoms, that may be left after my son Sherrod shall have taken those devised to him, one Cow & calf, ( which I design as a gift) to her little daughter Elizabeth SHEPPARD, to her & her heirs forever —

Item 4th I give unto my beloved son Richard Laurence TISON negro girl hagar, & negro boy Noah, the sum of Two hundred dollars in Cash, to be paid by my Executor, as soon as the situation of my estate will admit of it, one bureau & book case, one wash stand half dozen stool chairs, (flag bottom) one beanfat (?), one large trunk, one large kettle, two beds, bedsteads & furniture one Cow & Calf, to him & his heirs forever.

Item 5th It is my will & desire that all of my wearing apparel be equally divided between my four daughters, Eliza, Mary, Margaret Ann & Emily, share & share alike — if they should all survive me if not to those of my daughters then living equally And the whole of my bed clothing of every description except the bed cutains, after furnishing those beds given away in this instrument, I leave to be divided in five equal portions or lots, one lot or portion of which I give to be divided between my three married daughters, Eliza, Mary & Margarett Ann equally, the other four lots or portions with the bed Curtains, window Curtains, table cloths & towels. I give my son Sherrod & Richard Laurence, & my daughter Emily TISON to be divided equally between them share & share alike, that is to say to each one third part thereof.

Item 6 The whole of the residue of my estate not given away, that may be left at my death, after all my just debts are paid, I leave to be equally divided between my three youngest Children, Sherrod, Richard L. & Emily TISON share & share alike, and my desire is, & I hereby empower my executor so to do — that in making a selection of such amt. of property as may be acquired to defray my just debts. He is to exercise his discretion & sell such as may be most satisfactory to my said children, either negroes or other property as they may deem most advisable — Lastly I constitute & appoint my son Sherrod TISON Executor to this my last Will & Testament — In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand & seal. This 23rd day of March A. D. 1846.

In presence of Elizabeth W. TISON (Seal)
Alfred MOYE
W. D. MOYE

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**Ayden Items, Feb. 1**
*Eastern Reflector*, Friday, Feb. 7, 1913

Mrs. Martha TUCKER, the widow of the late Frank TUCKER, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. SPEIGHT, Friday evening. Her maiden name was Martha CARR. She married Mr. Stanley KITTRELL, and to them were born two children, Mr. Matthew KITTRELL who moved to Texas several years ago, and the other Mrs. J. B. SPEIGHT, and after the death of her husband which occurred during the civil war, she married Mr. Frank TUCKER, a very prominent justice of the peace of his day and for whom the Tucker school house, near Rountrees, was named. To this union was born a son, who at an early age, acquired quite a reputation as an educator and was called to the presidency of a college in Southern Alabama. His health failed him and he soon died. Mrs. TUCKER was the step-mother of Mr. Wyatt TUCKER, of Winterville, Mrs. Warren TUCKER of Greenville, W. L. TUCKER and Mrs. C. L. PATRICK of Ayden, and the late J. H. TUCKER of Asheville, N. C. Her remains will be laid to rest near her late residence. She was old and well stricken in years and died after a life well spent in a well grounded hope.

# Pitt County Reunions

Reunions, birthdays, and other celebrations in the news.

**Nelson Nichols Reunion, 1936**
As reported in the *Farmville Enterprise,* Oct. 2, 1936.

Home Gathering

On Sunday, the 27th, several of our townsmen motored or railroaded it to Bell Arthur to join in the festivities of an annual home gathering at the old landmark of the late Nelson and his wife, Emily Moore Nichols, on what is known as the Nichols Road, about two miles below Bell Arthur. The surviving children, Mrs. Cornelia Hamby (sic), of Greenville, and children; Mrs. Arsena Joyner, of Bell Arthur, and children; Mrs. Lillian Smith and children; Charlie Nichols, Greenville, Route 1, wife and children, and together with grand and great grandchildren, husbands, wives and great grandchildren and a few special relatives and friends either by relation or consanguinity of affinity, estimated to be about one hundred.

The program was brief, with a few remarks by Mack Smith, grandson; invocation by John Allen, grandson, and Walt Parker, who is cousin to the family, his mother being daughter of Whitty Nichols, uncle of Nelson Nichols, made a brief talk on who, what and where are we, especially pleading for reverence for our forefathers, love of country and reverence for God, ourselves and one another.

After giving honor in the usual old-fashioned way to an old-fashioned dinner, consisting of barbecue, chicken, slaw, cake, Brunswick stew and lemonade as chaser.

The men and boys let out belts, unbuttoned collars, rolled up sleeves, while women and girls — well—they peacefully mended their own ways, of course, talking and walking in the shade of the friendly oaks on the lawn, and all enjoyed music by a string band composed of musicians of the family.

UNCLE WALT.

**Charles Harris Reunion, 1938**
As reported in the *Farmville Enterprise,* Aug. 12, 1938.

Last Thursday about one hundred decendants of the family of the late Charles Harris met at the Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church and perfected an organization. The pastor, Rev. Wollard, was master of ceremonies. Dinner was spread on the grounds and duly enjoyed. This seemed to break the ice and soon everybody was acquainted, mostly relatives, immediate families and close friends were present. This was their first get-together and the Slogan, " I have heard of you but never saw you before," was in vogue.

Miss Bessie, daughter of the Rev. Joseph Harris, Los Angeles, California, who was on her first visit east, was the most active in her friendly socialistic manner in making everyone welcome. Heber Trip of Texas, grandson of Mr. Harris, also a newcome, who had not been home in over thirty years, kept busy making pictures of groups, buildings and individuals at the old historical church where the most of these old pioneers worshipped many long years in the past.

The writer recalls sixty-five years since he saw his mother, aunts and uncles washing feet as the whole congregation sang the old familiar hymns "Come Ye That Love the Lord," and "There Is A Foundation Filled With Blood." About 2:30 o'clock they sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" and the benediction was pronounced. Most of the immediate family went to the old homestead and made more pictures as they surveyed the once happy threshold of young Harris and Nichols, broods. Gone but not forgotten.

Watt Parker, 79, Nephew.

**Celebrates 82nd Birthday**
As reported in the *Farmville Enterprise,* Friday, June 16, 1933

Mrs. Nancy J. Nichols celebrated her 82nd birthday on Saturday at her home near Fountain with sixty-six relatives extending good wishes and congratulations and sharing in the pleasures of the day. These included a sister, Alice, of Washington, D. C., a sister-in-law, Mrs. Delphia Parker, 83, three children, 26

grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Albert E. Allen of Richmond a great nephew was present together with Miss Roslin Tyson of Richmond, a great, great neice.

It was a joyous occasion, the family history together with the barbecue dinner being greatly enjoyed. Chief among the table decorations was a huge frosted cake bearing 82 candles.

**Lang Family Organize at First Reunion**
As reported in the *Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, June 18, 1937

At their first reunion, held Friday, at the Lang homestead near Farmville, descendants of W. G. Lang, Sr., perfected a family organization with R. E. Mewborn, Kinston, as president; voted to make the reunion an annual affair, and selected the second Friday in June as the date of the meeting. W. G. Lang, Hickory, was elected as vice president, James R. Lang, secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Charles Foster, Littleton, historian, and Hubert Joyner, Greenville, chairman of the entertainment committee. After the gathering of the clan a barbecue and basket dinner was spread under the towering oaks on the grounds of the Lang farm, which is said to have been a land grant from the King of England to the Moye family, and is now owned by James R. Lang of the fifth generation. The Lang coat of arms was displayed and discussed and the family history read by Frank Joyner, of Roanoke Rapids.

Those in attendence were; Mrs. Charles Foster, and Mrs. Rodney Glascow, Littleton; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Joyner and family, Roanoke Rapids; Leon and Edward Joyner, Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Joyner, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Watson, Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Joyner and family, Richmond, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Joyner and family, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Moore. mrs. Lyman Joyner and Lyman Jr., Wilson; Mrs. Lula Mewborn, Miss Carlotta, and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mewborn, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lang, Kinston; Mrs. Duncan McKenzie, Burlington; Mrs. Alice Martin and daughter, Bettie, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lang and daughter, Mary Jane, Hickory; Mrs. Jess Hawkins and Miss Edith Gorham, Greenville, S.C.; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Joyner and daughter, Greenville; Miss Mary Humphrey, Goldsboro; Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Monk, Miss Hazel and James Monk, Jr. , Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones, Miss Vernice Lang and Ras Jones, Mrs. Nannie Moye Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Albritton and son, Harry, and James R. Lang, of Farmville.

**Mrs. Winnie Forbes Given Birthday Dinner**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Friday, July 19, 1935

The children of Mrs. Winnie Forbes gave her a delightful birthday dinner Sunday, July 14th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Moye, near Greenville, it being the occasion of her 74th anniversary. Places were laid for seventy-five guests. Mrs. Forbes has six children, twenty-eight grandchildren and seven great grand children. Music was furnished by O. L. Parker, of Farmville, and Mrs. A. B. Moye, of Greenville. Those present were; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Parker. of Farmville; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Peed, of Snow Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Rossie Moore and Woodrow Moore, of Ayden; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Adams, of Kinston; Mr. and Mrs. Amon Kennedy, Beulaville; Mrs. Fannie H. Cannon, Vanceboro; J. H. Howell, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Forbes, Tarboro; Dock Rhodes and A. P. Williams, Potters Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Stocks, Lossie Bell Pollard, Evelyn Highsmith, Mrs. J. F. Stocks, Mrs. Marvin Stocks, A. B. Moye and Family, G. W. Griffin and Family, Mrs. W. L. James and family, all of Greenville.

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Ayden Items
*Eastern Reflector*, Nov. 14, 1913

Mr. Charlie BARBER has accepted a position with the Ayden Baptist. We all feel an interest in this young man, because he once lived amongst us when quite small. His parents moved down on Blount's Creek. Charlie had learned to love newspaper business and like Hon. Josephus DANIELS, kept whacking away until success has dawned upon him. He is a son of Mr. M. B. BARBER, grandson of Mr. Abram BARBER, and nephew of Mr. William BARBER, who was famous for cooking good barbecue, selling it on the public square in Greenville long years ago, when Mr. O. P. HUMBER was mayor and J. H. SUYDAM was policeman.

# Bible Records

## Abraham Hardee Record

The following transcription is taken from a photocopy of loose pages of birth records contributed by Goldis Starling Reel.

Judy was Born in the year of our Lord May th 18 Day 1820
Mary was Born in the year of our Lord Febuary the 17 Day 1824
Selsos was Born in the year of our Lord April the 26 Day 1822
Joshua was Born in the year of our Lord Febuary the 4 Day 1827
William was Born in the year in the year of our Lord April the 28 Day 1835
Rubin was Born in the year of our Lord July th 29 Day 1836
~~Laurence~~ (crossed out) the son of Leven & dealy his wife Was Born in the year of our Lord March the 3rd Day A D 1838
Jordan the son of Leven and Dealy was Born in the year of our Lord March the 3rd 1838
Permelia Hardee Daughter of Abraham Hardee and Perlina his wife was born February 15th 1838
Rebeker daughter of Leven and Dealy his wife was born in year of our Lord April the 28 Day 1839
Henry Son of Judy was Born in year of our Lord March the 15 Day A D 1840
Armecy Daughter of Leven & Dealy his wife was born in the year of our Lord September the 18 Day 1840
Permely Hardee daughter of Abraham C Hardee & Prolina his wife was Born in the year of our Lord febuary the 15th Day 1838
John Bryant Hardee Son of Abraham C Hardee & Prolina his wife was Born in the year of our Lord March the 17 Day 1841
Washingteon Hardee son of Abraham C Hardee & Prolina his wife was Born in the year of our Lord April the 22nd Day A D 1843
Margaret Daughter of Jim and Judy his wife was Born in the Year of our Lord November the 7 Day 1842

## Christopher Crandall Bible

The Holy Bible, containing the Old and New Testaments, together with the Apocrypha. J. Holbrook's Stereotype Copy, printed in Brattleborough, Vt. , 1819. Transcribed from photocopies of the original records contributed by Jean D. Caldwell, Washington, NC.

Enoch Crandell departed this Life December 29th A D 1832 (crossed out) 1831 was Aged 40 Years 11 Months and 21 days.
Elizabeth Keel Departed this Life March 2n 1871 Aged 75 years 11 month & 10 days.
Sue Perkins was born Feb 7th 1854.
Thos B. Ross was born May the 3rd 1863.
Phineas Perkins Ross the son of Thomas B. & Sallie Ross was born Jan. 1st 1894.
Charles C. C. Crandal Deceast August the 21, 1828
Maniza J Crandell died Sept. 4th 1834
Wm E A Crandell died Novr 17th 1836
Margaret M Crandell died November 18th 1881 aged 53 years 10 months & 3 days.
Maggie E. Daniel the wife of Beverly Daniel died April 5th 1890 aged 48 years 1 month and 4 days
Siddie (?) Whitley the wife of J. A. Whitley died Dec. 8th 1891.
W. H. Perkins Died June 5th 1882.
Mary L. Perkins his wife Died Nov. 8th 1892
James Crandell was Born March 11 day in the year of our Lord 1737 & Died in the Year of our Lord 1824 April 23 day Aged 87 Years one month & 12 days
Nicholas Crandell the Son of James Crandell and Mary his wife was Born in the Year of our Lord February 24 day 1787 and Died May the 5 day Aged 37 years 2 months & 11 days
Mariah E Crandell died Oct. 6th 1901.
Amanda F. Ellison Died Feb. 21, 1907.

Phineas P. Ross the son of T. B. & Sallie Ross died June 6 1894 aged 5 months & 6 days
Enoch Crandell Married Elizabeth Latham in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and fifteen
Enoch Crandal Son of James Crandal & Mary His Wife was born February the 8th Day ann. 1791
Elizabet Crandal his Wife was Born March the 22nd Day Anno, 1795
And They Were Married April the 6th Day 1815
James L Crandal their Son was Born February the 1st Day 1816
Marina Ann R. Crandal Their Daughter Was Born October the 23rd Day Anno, 1817
Mary L. Crandal Their Daughter was born July the 26th Day Anno, 1819
Maria E. Crandal Their Daughter was Born September the 13th 1821
Charles C. C. Crandal Son of the Above parents Was Born November the 15th 1823
William E. A. Crandal The Son of the Above Parents was Born February the 12th, 1826
Margaret M. Crandal Daughter of the Above Was born January the 15th anno, 1828
Amanda F. Crandal Daughter of the above Was born February the 10th Day anno, 1830
Maniza Jane Crandal Daughter of the above mentioned parents was born February 7th 1832
Bryant B Best Son of Henry Best and Christain his wife Was Born March the the 5t day AD 1810
and worked with Enoch Crandell in the year of 1830.
Thomas B. Ross and Sallie Perkins was united in Marriage Feb. 17th 1892
W. H. Perkins Son of Lamuel Perkins & Elizabeth his wife was bornd January 1st 1820
Mary L. Crandell Daughter of Enock & his Wife Elizabeth Was bornd July 26th 1819
And they ware married December the 19th 1844
John E. Perkins their Son was born September the 19th 1845
Margret E. Perkins was bornd March the 1st 1847
Margie Cox was born January 27 1891.
_____(too faint) th daughter of mima was born april the 4 (?) day 1839.
Hoyet the son of Florah was born March the 15 1840
_____(too faint) the son of Mima was born the 4 day of april 1841
Benjamin the Sone of Harret was born January the 25 1842
Richmon the Sone of Clary was born March the 1st 1842
Warrin the son of Florah was born May the 17 1842
Boson the son of Reachel was born April the 19th 1843
_____(too faint) th Son of Clary was born Aug the 30 1849
Asbery son of Harrett was born June the 26 1847
Moring the daughter of florah was Bornd the 16th of October 1844
_____(too faint) the Sone of Rachel was born July 26, 184(7)?
_____(too faint) the Son of Clary was born the 17th of November the 1845
Cane the son of Flora was born June the 12 1847
Christopher Crandell (words too faint) ...April 25 183(?)
(name too faint) Crandall....(too faint) of James Crandall and Mary his Wife
Maniza J Crandell Departed this life September the 4 1834
october the 26 1835

Maud the colt of Fanny was folded Nov. 17, 1893.

## James A Lewis Bible Record

Taken from a typewritten copy presented as evidence in the NC Supreme Court case #97, Joseph A Lewis vs. G. A. Stancill, Feb. 1911, NC Archives. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

Marriages
Joseph A. Lewis and Henrietta Fleming were married by Dr. Jenkins on the 24th of Sept. 1868.

Births
Joseph A. Lewis, son of Allen & Rebecca Ann Lewis, was born on the 9th of August, A. D. _____
Henrietta Fleming was born on the 22nd of June, A. D. _____, she being the daughter of Luke & Henrietta Fleming.

Joseph Fernando Lewis, son of Joseph & Henrietta Lewis, was born August 9,th 1869.
Martha A. Lewis, daughter of Joseph & Henrietta Lewis, was born Sept. 27th 1870.
William L. B Lewis, son of Joseph & Henrietta Lewis, was born Oct. 25th 1872.
Mittie Emma Lewis, daughter of Joseph & Henrietta Lewis, was born on the 3rd Saturday of July, A.D. 1875

Deaths
Joseph Fernando Lewis, son of Joseph and Henrietta Lewis, died on the 1st day of May, A.D. 1870.

## The Anderson-Joyner Bible Records

From xerographs of the record pages from two different Bibles, clipped together; in the files of R. Kammerer. It appears as if the Joyner Bible records had been removed and stuck in the Anderson Bible, probably by Mary Ann Joyner, wife of Lawrence R. Anderson. The originals are in the possession of (Carol Tyer?) . . . who gave the records to Robert G. Tyson on Jan. 9, 1985. Mr. Tyson noted that on Jan. 30, 1985, he contacted Edna Bateman and got the following information:

Edna's relatives are named:

Eliza (Lyde) Anderson, md. John Tyer (Farmville)
Ruel Tyer I; druggist, Snow Hill, La Grange, ?where
Ruel Tyer II
Charlie Tyer
Ruel Tyer III named for grandfather

Edna's parents: Isaac Ulysses Joyner and Verna Pope Anderson Joyner
Edna's great-grandfather, Lawrence Richard Anderson.

*Mr. Tyson also noted that is not clear how the Tyson and Tyer families were related to the Andersons.*

*The Bible records of the Anderson family:*

Births
Jordan Anderson the son of Lawrence Anderson & Sarah his wife was born March 20. 1779
Cintha Anderson the Daugt of Lawrence Anderson & Sarah his wife was born August the 9. 1780
John N. (V.?) Anderson the Son of Lawrence Anderson & Sarah his wife was born August the 20th.1782
Rebecka Anderson the daughter of Lawrence Anderson & Sarah his wife was born the 29 of July 1785
Reuel Anderson son of Lawrence Anderson & Sarah his wife was born the 10 of June 1792

Rebeccah Ann Anderson the daughter of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was Born June 16th. 1817
Frances E. Anderson daughter of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was born April 6th. 1819
Elisabeth Ann Anderson daughter of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was born April 14th. 1821
Sally Jane Anderson daughter of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was born May 20th. 182_(?)
Lawrence R. Anderson son of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was born February the 22. 1825
Susan D. Anderson daughter of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was born July the 9. 1827
Reuel J. Anderson son of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was Born April 24. 1829
Henrietta L. Anderson daughter of Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was Born February the 7th. 1831
Eddie B. Anderson was Born 20th May 1833 — — Dead
Benjamin Ed(w?) Anderson Reuel Anderson & Ritty his wife was Born March 16the 1834

Reuel M. Stancil son of Caswell Stancil & Rebecca his Wife was born 2nd Sept. 1835
Godfrey Stancil son of Caswell Stancil & Rebecca his Wife was born April 28th. 1837
Benjamin Edee Stancil son of Caswell Stancil & Rebecca his Wife was born October 4th. 1838
Lawrence Henry Stancil Son of Caswell Stancil & Rebecca his Wife was born November 6th 1839
Ritty Anderson Daniel the Daughter of Sarah J. Daniel was Born Sept the 29. 1842

Ruel Benjamin Anderson the son of Lawrence Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was borned the 26 of Oct 1846
Isaac J. Anderson son of Lawrence Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was born on the 13th Nov 1848
Eliza Ann Anderson Daughter of Lawrence R. Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was born on the 29th July 1850
Sarah Elizebeth Anderson daughter of Lawrence Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was born September the 7th 1853
John W. Anderson, son of Lawrence Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was born the 11th of September 1855
Henry Clay Anderson son of Lawrence Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was born on the fourth of January 1858
Anna L. Anderson Daughter of L. R. Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was born the 30 day of July 18(59 or 60? torn)
Mary Frances Daughter of L. R. Anderson and Mary Ann his Wife was born the 21st March 1861

Deaths
Ruel Anderson son of Lawrence Anderson & Sarah his wife died on thursday 12th September 5 minutes before 5 o'clock in the evening 1839
Eddee Benjamin Anderson son of Reuel & Ritty Anderson died August 15th 1833
Edee Benjamin Brown Anderson son of Ruel Anderson & Ritty his wife died at 1 o'clock in the morning of the 29th Sept 1840
Ruel J. Anderson son of Ruel & Ritty his wife died the 20th of June 1841 Age 12 yrs
Rebecca Carson died the 30th of Apl. 1842 Aged 56 yrs. 9 mos
Elizabeth Stancil, Wife of Nathan, Daughter of Ruel Anderson & Ritty his wife died Sept 6 184(3?)
Ritty Anderson wife of Ruel Anderson died Nov 4, 1843
Sarah Jane the Daughter of Ruel Anderson and Ritty his wife departed this life in the evening of the 13 Jan 1845
Lawrence Richard Anderson son of Ruel and Ritty Anderson departed this life June 2, 1864, in battle
Sarah Elizabeth, daughter of Lawrence R. Anderson and Mary Ann, his wife departed this life June 18, 1884
Isaac Joyner Anderson son of Lawrence R. Anderson and Mary Ann, his wife departed this life 1899
Mary Ann Anderson, wife of Lawrence R. Anderson, departed this life June 2, 1901
Ruel Benjamin Anderson son of Lawrence R. and Mary Ann Anderson, departed this life Dec. 31, 1915

*The records of the Joyner family:*

Marriages
Isaac Joyner and Anna Tison was Married 14th February 1821
Moses Joyner and Lucy Jane Lasitter was maried the 18th of May A. D. one thousand eigh-hundred and forty eight
Laurence Anderson and Mary Ann Joyner was married April 24 (A. D.) one thousand eight hundred & forty five

Births
Arseena Elizabethe Joyner Daughter of Isaac Joyner & Anna his wife was bornd 4th December in the year of our Lord 1821
Moses Joyner Son of Isaac & Anna his wife was bornd October 26th - 1824
John Joyner Son of Isaac & Anna Joyner was bornd In the year of our Lord Jany. th4 - 1827
Mary Ann Joyner Daughter of Isaac Joyner and Anna his wife was bornd the 13(?) March in the year of our Lord 1829
Seth Joyner Son of Isaac & Anna Joyner was bornd 29(?) Day of June in the year of Our Lord 1832
Henry Ervin Joyner son of Isaac and Anna Joyner was born January 27 in the year of our Lord 1835
Anna Daughter of Isaac & Anna Joyner was born th15 of June in the year of our Lord 1837
Eliza Daughter of Isaac & Anna Joyner was borned the 9 January in the year of our Lord 1840

Ruel Benjamin Anderson son of Laurence Anderson & Mary Ann his wife was bornd October 26th A. D. one thousand eight-hundred & forty-six
Isaac Joyner Anderson son of Laurence & Mary Anderson his wife was bornd November 13th A. D. one thousand eight-hundred & forty eight

Eliza Ann Anderson the Daughter of Lawrence & Mary Ann Anderson [no date]

Abraham Joyner Son of John Joyner and Elizabeth his wife was bornd in the year of our Lord Marh [sic] the 16 1761
Isaac Joyner Son of Abraham Joyner & Kissiah his wife was bornd in the year of our Lord July 31 Day 1791
Anna Tison Daughter of Moses Tison and Elizabeth his wife was bornd November 24 in the year of our Lord 1799 1799 1799 1799 1799

Susan Lasitter Joyner daughter of Moses and Lucy Jane his wife was bornd Sunday 17th of June in the year of our Lord 1849
James Wood Joyner son of Moses Joyner and Lucy J Joyner his wife was born 20 of November 1852
James W Joyner departed this life Tuesday morning the 27 of July in the year of our Lord 1854
Sally Ann Joyner daughter of Moses Joyner and Lucy J Joyner his wife was born May 11th 1(torn)
Jess L Joyner was born on Sunday Feb 2 18(51 or 56?)

Deaths
Arseena Elizabeth Joyner Departed this life on wednesday th26 October 182(? illegible)
Abraham Joyner of the State of Georgia Departed this life on the 14 Febuary in the year of our Lord 1827
Seth Joyner Departed this life on Monday 3rd March 1834
John Joyner Departed this life on wenesday the 13 of October 1837
Eliza Joyner Departed this life on thursday the 2 of July 1840
John Joyner Departed this life on the 20 of March A. D. 1853
Anna Joyner wife of Isaac Joyner Departed this life on Thursday th4 of May A.D. 1854 aged 54 years five months and 10 days
Isaac Joyner Son of Abraham Joyner & Kisiah his wife Departed this life on Tuesday the 16th of January AD 1855 Aged 63 years five months & sixteen days
Jesse Lasitter Son of Stephen & Nancy Lasitter Departed this life on Tuesday Nov 13th 1866 in the sixty seventh year of his age

## Gray Moore Bible

Transcribed from photocopies of the original bible records contributed by Eleanor Oakley Sills.

Births
Iredel Moore was born dec 2 1849
Sallie C Moore " " May 4th 1851
Gray Moore the son of Iredel & Sallie C Moore was born dec 7 1873
Winnifred L Moore the daughter of Iredel & Sallie C Moore was born Feb. 6, 1876
Churchwill Moore was born July the 5th 1878
William K Moore was born Sept 17th 1880
Claudious T Moore was born aug 13 1883
Thomas J. Moore was born Sept 22, 1886
Elva Varona Moore daughter of Gray & Lennie L Moore was borne Oct. 5, 1894

Marriages
Iredel Moore & Sallie C Clark was married dec 12 1872
Gray Moore & Lennie L. Stokes was married Oct. 18 1893
Laurence H Witherington & Winnie L. Moore was married Feb. 12th 1896.

Deaths
Elva Varona Moore, died August 7th. 1895.

Memoranda
Hellen Novella Witherington was born Jan. 8th 1897.

## Theophilus Smith Bible

The following bible record is taken from a typewritten copy found in the J. L. Jackson Papers, Sheppard Memorial Library, Greenville, NC. Jackson noted he copied the bible record on April 7, 1952. Present location of the original bible is unknown. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

Deaths
Henry Smith died Sept. 8th 1870
Celia Smith died May 24th 1866
Theophilus Smith Sept. 24th 1876
Nancy Tripp died May 30th 1873
James F. Smith April 15th 1892
John H. Smith died Feb. 19 1910
Joshua W. Smith died Feb. 1925
Benj. T. Smith died May 10, 1925
Susan Smith Harris died Aug 1901

Richard R. May, son of William and Mary J. May, died at Kinston 7th day of March 1865
Elizabeth W. Smith, daughter of William and Mary J. May, his wife was born August 27, 1834. Died Nov. 25th 1888
William May died March 4th 1885
Mary J. his wife died Oct. 27, 1856
John J. May died Jan. 9, 1926

Theophilus Smith son of Henry Smith and Celia his wife was born August 28, 1842
Susan B. Smith daughter of Henry Smith and Celia his wife was born May 9th 1861
Joshua W. Smith of Henry Smith and Celia his wife was born on the 7th day of June A. D. 1850
_____ Smith, daughter of Theophilus and Elizabeth Smith was born on the 9th day of February 1867
John Richard Smith son of the above named parents was born on the 18th day of May 1868
Robert Williams Smith son of the above named parents was born on the 2nd day Nov. 1869
Mary Theophilus Smith daughter of the above named parents was born September the 26th day in 1873
William May born June 16th 1807
Mary J. Tyson wife of Wm. May and daughter of Sherrod Tyson and Elizabeth his wife was born Jan. 16th 1814
James F. Smith son of Henry Smith and Celia his wife was born Sept. 9, 1844
Robert Frederick Hoke son of John R. Smith and Mary his wife was born Dec. 21st 1893 & died May 12th 1895
Bettie May daughter of John R. Smith and Mary his wife was born April 7th 1896
Perry Yates Jackson son of William C. Jackson and Mary his wife was born August 23rd 1899
William Graham Jackson son of William C. Jackson and Mary his wife was born July 23rd 1901
Darwin Theophilus son of William C. Jackson and Mary his wife was born Dec. 31st 1903
Angus Allen Jackson son of William C. Jackson and Mary his wife was born Dec. 7th 1906
Gorham Edgar Jackson son of W. C. Jackson and Mary his wife was born July 9th 1910
John Robert Jackson son of W. C. Jackson and Mary his wife was born Dec. 27, 1914
Susan Elizabeth Jackson daughter of W. C. Jackson and Mary his wife was born Dec. 13, 1916

(The following dates are from a loose sheet in the same bible)
R. R. May was born March 27 1847
J. J. May June 5th 1848
Mary R. Little son (sic) of W. W. Little and Harriett his wife was born Nov. 1861
William Robert do (sic) was born Dec. 15th 1863
James S. May died Jan. 11, 1864
Mary J. May died Oct. 27th 1856, All her days were 42 years 8 months 13 days
Fannie Buck, died April 6th 1863
Mary Fannie May died 2nd day Nov. 1847

William May and Mary J. Tyson was married December 10th 1829
William Little, Harriett W. May was married January 23rd 1861
William May and Susan Garris was married April 15th 1869
John J. May & Georgeann Kittrell was married December 18th 1872 was married
William May son of James and Harriett his wife was born June 16th 1807
Mary J. May daughter of Sherrod and Elizabeth Tyson was born January 16th 1814
James S. May son of Wm. May and Mary his wife was born December 4th 1830
W. H. May was born Sept. 4th 1838
E. W. May was born Aug. 27 1834
B. H. May was born Nov. 9th 1836
H. W. May was born Sept. 3rd 1840
Mary F. May was born July 31st 1843

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# QUERIES

Seek information on CHESNUTT/CHESTNUT/CHESTNUTT families of eastern North Carolina. A major Chestnutt book on descendants of Alexander CHESNUTT (died 1960, Isle of Wight, VA) now in progress.
—Ray GRIFFIN; 333 Chadwyck Drive; Danville, VA; 24541-3306 (804-793-1744) email: rgriffin@gamewood.net.

Would like to hear from other researchers of the HERRINGTON, JACKSON, HADDOCK, TAYLOR AND ALDERSON families of Pitt County. [Repeated at request of Ms. Zumwalt]
—Patricia ZUMWALT; 147 Rainbow Dr. #4766; Livingston, TX 77399-1047 (888-757-7701).

Looking for information about the descendants of Frances Elizabeth JOLLEY, born 1869 in Beaufort County, NC. She was the second child of John Hymon JOLLEY and Mary (Polly) WARREN. She married Llewelyn MARTIN in 1887. They lived in Martin County, NC, and were the parents of S. Arthur MARTIN.
—Nancy Akers PAYNE; P. O. Box 1041; Hermosa Beach, CA 90254-1041. email: nabalaha@gateway.net.

Who were the parents of James BIRD, b. ca. 1772 in Bute Co., NC, d. 1829 in TN; married Dec. 17, 1793 in Warren Co., NC, to Lucy LANIER, dau. of John LANIER and Sarah NANCE. Lucy b. ca. 1780 in Warren County.
—Margaret EICHMAN; 1244 W. Crescent Ave; Redlands, CA 92373-6539 (909-792-8847).

Seeking information on Dempsey PEEL, b. 1759, father of Mills PEEL who was b. 1784 in Hertford County, NC. Dempsey later moved to Edgecombe County, NC, died in 1811. Who was Dempsey's wife? Will pay any cost of copy/postage.
—John Gordon WILLIAMS 025154; P. O. Box 221 Y-11 Union Correctional Institution; Raiford, FL 32083-0221.

Looking for information about Nancy LYTTLE, m. Benjamin BRILEY (b. 1780, d. 1850). Were her paretns William LYTTLE (b. 1757, d. 1804) and Lydia THACKER? Was William LYTTLE's father Archibald LYTTLE who married Margaret JOHNSON?
—Alice S. RICHMOND; 140 Pinecrest Road; Durham, NC 27705-5813 (919-489-0051) email: RAKERICHMO@aol.com.

Need parents and siblings' names of Famariah/Phamy (Mrs. Matthew WARD) who was married by 1809. Need also Famariah's complete birth date.
—Dora SANDERS; 711 14th Northwest; Miami,OK 74354. email: Dsanders@RecTec.net.

Shadrack (Shade) WOOTEN, Arthur Forbes WOOTEN, William WOOTEN, Jr., Council WOOTEN. Was their father William WOOTEN, Sr., who served in the Revolution? Was William WOOTEN, Sr.'s, father John WOOTEN, Sr., also in the Revolution?
—J. A. L. MILLER, Jr.; 7912-H Harris Hiy Lane; Charlotte, NC 28269-0704 (704-549-5666. email: jalmillerjr@worldnet.att.net.

Searching for Balaam BELL, born ca. 1770, died before 1802; married Penelope TURNAGE, Pitt County, NC. I only know two of their children; did they have more?
—Robbie Sewell MOYE; 1703 Salem Ch. Rd.; Goldsboro, NC 27530 (919-735-5896). email: robbie@esn.net.

Jonas NELSON, Sr., b. ca. 1750, d. 1825 in Martin Co., NC; m. before 1790 to Mary ODUM/ODOM. Seek information on his parents.
—Pat TRIGILIO; 16640 Dolf Rd.; Stewartstown, PA 17363 (717-993-2169). email: ptrigilio@hotmail.com.

Sarah W. ELKS, dau. of Wm. A. ELKS and Rebecca NICHOLS (#1 wife) married ca. 1876 to Wm. R. BAKER. Children: John W. BAKER (b. 1877, md. Mary Virginia NORMAN 1902); James Isaac BAKER (b. 1879, d. 1914, md. Martha TYSON 1900, Pitt Co.); Jesse E. BAKER, b. 1886, md. Hattie FULFORD 1915, Pitt Co.). Seeking descendants. Did John and Jesse leave county? Bible records, tombstone dates, obituaries desired.
—Virginia Holdford STULTZ; 960 W. Elva St.; Idaho Falls, ID 83402 (208-523-1780).

KENNEDY-ROUNTREE/ROUNDTREE. John KENNEDY, b. ca. 1760 in NC, d. 1832 in Sumter Co., South Carolina, married 1784 to Cherry ROUNTREE in Pitt Co., NC. Cherry was b. ca. 1765, d. 1840 in Sumter Co., SC. Children: 1) Cleoy (b. Jan. 17, 1785, d. young); 2) Argent (b. June 20, 1787, m. James CROSSWELL); and 3) Sarah (b. Oct. 2, 1789, m. John CROSSWELL). John KENNEDY served in the American Revolution from North Carolina.
—Margaret Ann Reynolds NESBITT; 3725 East Hermosa Vista Dr.; Mesa, AS 85215-1703 (480-854-9691). email: mar.nesbitt@cwix.com.

Searching for info. on Capt. John FRIZZLE, reportedly the father of John PIERCE who was b. ca. 1839, by Kearney PIERCE. John PIERCE was in 1850 Greene Co. census in household of Wilie STOCKS (age 49) and Kearney STOCKS (age 30). After serving in the Confederate Army, John PIERCE moved to Pitt Co., west of Ayden, on Hwy. 102 near Rountree Church. He married Elizabeth (Betty) McGLAWHON. John and Betty PIERCE are buried in the Frizzell Cemetery near Hwy 102. Was John PIERCE the son of the John FRIZZELL who also lived near Rountree Church?
—Sammy Anson PIERCE; 3048 S. Glebe Rd.; Arlington, VA 22206 (703-518-5158). email: pierce3369@aol.com.

Need information on Elizabeth (Betty) GRAY, b. 1847, married 1st David Anson AYERS in Washington Co., NC, and mother of Maryetta, Ormond Taylor, Ebenezer Wilson and Augustus (Gus) W. AYERS. Elizabeth married 2nd Magelbra G. AUSBON after a brief widowhood. First husband, David Anson AYERS died ca. 1877 at age 37. He was a veteran of the War Between the States, and the son of David Taylor AYERS and Ada EVERETT.
—Gene AYERS; 3127 Sretaw Drive; Charlotte, NC 28210-4857 (704-552-1660). email: tazdevil@charlotte.infi.net.

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## Harris Miscellany

**About Spencer Harris**
*Eastern Reflector*, Feb. 6, 1884

Mr. Spencer HARRIS is one of the most energetic and respected farmers in Contentnea township. He is 76 years old and never took a drink of intoxicating liquors in his life, never used tobacco in any form, is a bachelor, never joined any church, but is a pious, moral man, is in perfect health and can do as much hard work as any young man. He has always voted the Democratic ticket, and would walk 15 miles any day to get to the polls. Such men are an honor to any county, and we doubt if there are many more such in the State.

**Prolific Family**
*Eastern Reflector*, Feb. 7, 1913

Mr. J. E. Harris, who lives six miles from town in the vicinity of Frog Level, was here a day or two ago and said the fourth pair of twins recently came to his home. Mr. Harris has been married 10 years and in that time twelve children have been added to his family, twins four times and singles four times. If any family can show more rapid growth than this we would like to have the names.

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State of North Carolina Pitt County
This day came before us John NELSON and made Oath on the Holy evangalist of allmighty god that he is personally aquainted with Abraham COX of Pitt County and believes him to be the Heir of Aron COX who was the Heir of William COX who died in the Service of the united States in the revolutionary war.
Sworn to and Subscribed before us this 4th day of February 1813
Hardee SMITH John (his mark) NELSON
James SHEPPARD JP

We are personally acquainted with the above named John NELSON and believe him to be a man of Credit
Hardee SMITH
James SHEPPARD

State of North Carolina Pitt County
I Alexander EVANS Clerk of the County Court of Pitt County do hereby Certify that Hardee SMITH and James SHEPPARD Esquires who have subscribed the within affidavit and Certificate are acting Justices of the Peace of the county aforesaid and were at the time of their subscribing the same and that due faith and credit should be given their signature as such given under my hand and seal of the County at Office in Greenesville the 4th day of February 1813
Alexander EVANS Clk

No. 225 The Heirs of Wm. COX 640 acres recd. by Jas. HEARN

*Source: Secretary of State, Revolutionary Military Papers, 280.1, NC Archives*

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
This Day Came Before me Mr Guardner MOYE of Said County and after Being Duly Sworn in Due from Deposeth and Sayeth that George WILLIS of Said County Enlisted in the Revolutionary war to my knowledge and after the time of his inlistment he the Said George WILLIS Continued in the Service of his Country until the Close of the war this the Deponant Sayeth on his oath and further he sayeth that he Did Enlist to his own knowledge and served until Close of the war and then was Discharged and Returned home and now lives in the County of Pitt and has Don So Ever Since the Close of the Revolutionary War given under my hand and Seal this the 15th of July 1820
Gardener MOYE

Sworn to and Subscribed Before me this the 15th of July 1820
Attest
Shad. SHIVERS JP

State of North Carolina Pitt County withe Justices whose names are under signed Do certify that Mr. Guardner MOYE of Said County is a man of Credibility and has for Ever Since his youth upto this Day Been Considered as Such and we allso Certify that he was in the Revolutionary war and in the North Carolina Line given under our hands and Seals this 15th of July 1820
Shad. SHIVERS JP (seal)
W. BROOKS J. P. (seal)

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
I Alexander EVANS Clerk of the County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Pitt do hereby Certify that Shadrach SHIVER and Wilks BROOKS are acting Justices fot the County aforesaid and

due faith & Credit is & ought to be given to their official acts as such given under my hand and Seal at Office this the 16th of June 1821

Alexander EVANS Clk

*Source: Secretary of State, Revolutionary Military Papers, 421. 3, NC Archives*

State of North Carolina Pitt County} Novr. 5. 1817
Gardner MOYE of the County of Pitt aforesaid, maketh oath that he was well acquainted with Isaac HARDY formerly of the said County of Pitt, that he served in the War of the Revolution with him, that they resided in the same neighborhood from the time of childhood, and therefore knew his family well— the said Isaac HARDY was never married, & died without Will about Twenty five years ago— This deponent is also acquainted with Abraham HARDY of the County of Pitt, and knows that he was the brother of said Isaac; & was the only brother of said Isaac at the time of his death, and deponent is certain & confident that the said Abraham HARDY is the only Heir of the said Isaac HARDY and therefore is the only person entitled to the Military land warrant granted by the Legislature of North Carolina in the year 1816 to the Heirs of Isaac
HARDY——And furth deponent saith not

Gardener MOYE

Personally appeared on the day and year first above written before us two of the Justices of the Peace for said County, the above named Gardner MOYE and having signed the above deposition , made solemn oath to the truth thereof— and we the said Justices do freely certify that the said Gardner MOYE ia a person of good credit, and that we have the fullest confidence in the truth of whatever he deposes to

before us Marshal DICKINSON J. P.
Wilkes BROOKS J. P.

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
I do hereby Certify that Marshal DICKINSON and Wilks BROOKS Esquires are acting Justices of the Peace of the County of Pitt and that faith and credit ought to be given their Acts and Deeds as such given under my hand and Seal of the County at Office in Greenesville the 7th day of November 1817

Alexander EVANS clk by Richard EVANS

No. 264 The Heirs of Isaac HARDY a Lt. 1097 Acres
Recd. of the Secretary of State a Military land Warrant issued to the Heirs of Isaac HARDY a Lieutt. for 1097 Acres of land No. 264 this 10th Decr. 1817.

Oliver PRINCE

*Source: Secretary of State, Revolutionary Military Papers, 50. 8, NC Archives*

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
This day Personally Appeared Before me Mr Guardner MOYE of said County and after Being Dully Sworn in Due form Deposeth and Sayeth that he was well acquainted with Jacob CLARK who was a Contenental Soldier in the Revolutionary war and in the North Carolina Line that he was Present when Said Jacob CLARK enlisted and said CLARK Enlisted for the war _or three and half years and after the Expiration of the three and half years that Said Jacob CLARK Reenlisted During the term of the war and this the Deponant knows for he was in the army with him of his own knowledge and after his Reenlistment the Said Jacob CLARK was marched to the South and joined the army that went to Charleston and then was taken by the Enemy in Chareston and there Remained for Sometime, and after the year 1781, Before he was Discharged Died in the Service of his Contry and further this Deponant Sayeth on his oath that Isaac CLARK of Lenoir County is the only true and Lawful heir of him Said Jacob CLARK and Person Entitled to a Military Land Warrant for the services of him the Said Jacob CLARK and further the

Deponant Sayeth not Given under my hand and Seal this 15th July 1820
Sworn to and Subscribed Before me Gardener MOYE (seal)
Attest Shad. SHIVERS JP

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
We the Justices whos names are under Signed Do Certify that Mr Guardner MOYE of Said County is a man of Credibility and Due faith and Credit has at all times past and at Present Been given to his Testimony from his youth up to this Day and we morover Certify that Said Guardner MOYE was in the Revolutionary war and in the North Carolina Line and went from Pitt County and Said CLARK alls went from this County Given under our hands and Seals this 15th July 1820

Shad. SHIVERS JP (seal)
W. BROOKS JP (seal)

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
I do hereby Certify that Shadrach SHIVERS and Wilks BROOKS are acting Justices of the Peace of the County of Pitt and that faith and credit ought to be given their attestations as such given under my hand and Seal of the Court at Office in Greenesville the 20th July 1820

Alexander EVANS clk

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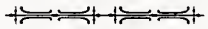


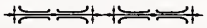
State of North Carolina Wake County}
I do hereby Certify that Harden WARNER late of Pitt County was a Soldier of the late No. Carolina Line or Continental Establishment & served his full time & returned home the Just time of his Inlistment. I do not now recollect but believe it was three & half years given under my hand the 18th Novr. 1795.

Richd. MOYE

These are to Certify that Harden WARNER was a three & half years Soldier in the North Carolina Line and served his time Joshua HADLY Capt.

Novr 18 1795

*Source: Secretary of State, Revolutionary Military Papers, 790. 1, NC Archives*



State of North Carolina Pitt County
Personally appeared before us two Justices in the County aforesaid Gardner MOY & made oath in due form that Enoch SIMONS is the Proper heir to Gideon SIMONS and the said Enoch SIMONS is the person properly entitled to a Military Land Warrant for the Survivors of the Said Gideon SIMONS in the revolunary War the United States of a Merica & Great Britian, Sworn to and Subscribed before us this 5th day of December 1812 Gardener MOYE
G. GREENE J. P.
Jno. MOORING J. P.

This may Certify that Mr Gardener MOY is a man of Creditability & that due weight & Credit ought to be paid to his Testamony given under our hands This 5th day December 1812

G. GREENE J. P.
Jno. MOORING J. P.

State of North Carolina Pitt County}
I do hereby Certify that George GREEN and John MOORING Esquires who have subscribed the Certificates within are acting Justices of the Peace for and within the County aforesaid and that due faith and credit should to be given their signatures as such given under my hand and Seal of the Courty at Greenesville the 5th December 1812.

Alexander EVANS Clk

*Source: Secretary of State, Revolutionary Military Papers, 278. 1, NC Archives*

State of No. Carolina Edgecomb County}
Personally appeared before us Henry AUSTIN & Jesse LITTLE two of the Justices of the Peace in and for said County Micajah WINDOM & Isaiah WINDOM and being duly sworn deposeth as follows (viz) That we were well acquainted with Thomas MOSELY & William MOSELYS of Pitt County and of their going into the
service of the United States in the late revolutionary war, was well acquainted with William MOSELY their Father and his family & knows that Benjamin MOSELY is the oldest Brother of the Said Thos. & Wm. MOSELYS and believes him to be the right Heir of the Sd. Thos. & Wm. MOSELYS
Given Under our hands & seals at Tarbo. this 12th Sept 1815 And also that the above deponents are entitled to credit

H AUSTIN JP (seal)
Jesse LITTLE JP (seal)

State of North Carolina Edgecombe County
I Edward HALL Clerk of the County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Henry AUSTIN and Jesse LITTLE Esquires whom names are hereunto subscribed are Acting Justices of the Peace in and for the County of Edgecombe and that full faith and credit may and ought to be given to their Official acts. In testamony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of Office this Twelveth day of September 1815.

Edward HALL CC

No. 263 The Heirs of Wm MOSELEY 640 Acres delivd. to John McNEILL 10th Decr. 1817
See his rect. on Report &c of 1814

*Source: Secretary of State, Revolutionary Military Papers, 51. 5, NC Archives*

Revolutionary War Pension Record for James CREEMER, Sr., S2480
Abstracted by Roger Kammerer from National Archives, Washington, D.C.

James CREEMER—a private in Capt. SHARPES Company of 10th Reg. enlisted April 15, 1781 for twelve months. He left service on April 15, 1782

James CREEMER of Beaufort Co., NC, a private in Capt. SHARPES Co. one year, on NC Rolls at $40.00 per year starting on March 4, 1831.

Deposition of James CREEMER, Sr., age 78 taken on Aug. 22, 1832.
He says he enlisted in a a company in Pitt County under Capt. HERRING'S State Regiment for twelve months service, under command of Col. HERRITAGE. They went all over the State with no engagements and returned home. CREEMER again enlisted in Pitt Co. for three months in a company commanded by Capt. STANCIL. Before the expiration of his second enlistment he joined the main army with his company and enlisted a third time for twelve months in the Continental service under Capt. SHARPE, Col. DIXON and Gen. GREENE Commander in Chief. CREEMER saw hard service and suffered. He was in the Battle of Eutaw Springs and was later discharged at Wilmington, NC and returned home. CREEMER swears he served nearly four years in the War, but has lost all his service records and discharges. CREEMER states that Jacob O"MERRY of Beaufort Co., NC was a comrade for twelve months. Creemer states he is a poor nan and has a family to support. In 1820, CREEMER owned 300 acres and other items.

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# Estate of Ichabod Allen, Greene Co., AL

The following is a transcription by Eleanor Allen (5/29/1999) from the microfilm copy of original records obtained through the Greenville Family History Center, Greenville, NC. It concerns the administration of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN, formerly of Pitt County, NC, and brother of Aaron Tyson ALLEN and Thomas ALLEN both of Pitt County and Samuel ALLEN of Perry County, AL. According to Perry County, AL Marriage Records, Ichabod married on February 29, 1832, in Perry County, AL, to Elizabeth THIGPEN, daughter of Joseph Joshua THIGPEN formerly of Dobbs County, NC.

Greene County, AL Orphans Court Records
Court Minutes Book D

26 September 1836

Upon the application of Samuel ALLEN for letter of administration on the estateof Ichabod ALLEN deceased It is ordered that Citation issue issue to
II Joshua THIGPEN heir in right of his wife of Ichabod ALLEN deceased to appear before this court on the 3rd Monday of October next to show cause why letters of administration shall not be granted to Saml ALLEN on the estate of said decedent.

Ordered that a citation issue to Levi LEWIS of Marengo County to appear before this court on the 3rd Monday of October next to show Cause if any he can
II why Saml ALLEN shall not be pointed admin of Ichabod ALLEN deceased of when said LEWIS shall.

Ordered that a citation issue to Alcey ALLEN heir of Ichabod ALLEN deceased to appear before this court on the 3rd Monday in October to show cause
II why Saml ALLEN shall not be appointed adminstrator of said decedent.

Ordered that a like citation issue to Elizabeth ALLEN wife of said decendent.

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17 October 1836

Ordered that Samuel ALLEN to whom on this day Letters of adminstration were granted upon the Estate of Ichabod ALLEN deceased cause a copy of this order to be published in the Alabama Beacon Six weeks Successively, notifying all persons indebted to Said estate to call and make imminent payment, and all persons having claims against said Estate to present them duly authenticated within the time prescribed by law or they will be bared.

Ordered that the petition of Samuel ALLEN Adm of Ichabod ALLEN deceased to sell real estate be received and recorded.

Ordered that a citation issue to Levi LEWIS heir of Ichabod ALLEN deceased in right of his wife to appear before this court on the fourth Monday in November next to answer the petition of the adm to sell the real estate of said decedent.

Ordered that a citation issue to Alcey ALLEN heir of Ichabod ALLEN deceased to appear & answer the petition of the administrator to sell the real Estate of Decedent on the 4th Monday of November.

Ordered that a citation issue to Elizabeth ALLEN wife and heir of Ichabod ALLEN deceased to appear & answer before this court on the 4th Monday of Nov next the petition of the court to sell the real estate of said decedent.

This day personally appeared in open court Samuel ALLEN administrator of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN deceased & filed his petition to sell the real estate of said decedent & the said administrator being

sworn saith that Tice ALLEN, Sally BLAND the wife of John BLAND, Ailsey MOORE wife of Benjamin MOORE, Elanor WATSON wife of William WATSON, Julia SUTTON wife of John SUTTON, James ALLEN, William ALLEN, John ALLEN, John ALLEN and Martha ALLEN are heirs of said decedent living beyond the limits of this state. It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Beacon a news paper published at Greensborough for three weeks successively requiring said heirs to appear before this court on the 4th Monday in Nov next to answer the petition of said admor the same will be taken pro cousepo as to them.

Ordered that this bond executed by Saml ALLEN in actation

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to the proceeds of the sale of real estate be rec'd & recorded being in the sum of $4,000 with Thos ALLEN, Oliver THIGPEN & Moses WALSTON as securities.

Ordered that James YEATES be appointed Guardian ad Latem of the minor heirs of Ichabod ALLEN deceased being James ALLEN, Wm ALLEN and John ALLEN and Martha ALLEN brother's children of said decedent to answer and defend against the petition of Saml ALLEN admr of to sell the real estate of said decedent.

Ordered that a citation issue to James YEATES Guardian ad litem of the minor heirs of Ichabod ALLEN deceased to answer & defend against the petition of Saml ALLEN admr to sell the real Estate of said decedent returnable to the 4th Monday in November next.

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May 22nd 1837

Ordered by the court that the report of the sale of the real estate of Ichabod ALLEN Dec'd this day presented to the court by Oliver THIGPEN and Thomas ALLEN, the commissioners appointed by said court to sell the same, be received, confirmed & recorded. It appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the order of this court & the requisites of the statute in such cases made and provided have been strictly com-plied with, it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court, that the said Oliver THIGPEN & Thomas ALLEN, the commissioners aforesaid, make & execute to Richard E. TYSON such titles to the following described lands, & tenements as the law in such cases requires, being the lands sold by said commissioners to Richard E TYSON as appears from their said report, viz, the west half of the South west quarter of section one in township twenty, range five, also Ten acres cut off the South end of the east half of the South east quarter of Section one, township twenty & range five.

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October 22nd 1838

Ordered that Samuel ALLEN adm. Of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN be permitted to make final settlement of his administration accounts on the second Monday of December next upon the notice required by law being given.

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December 10th 1838

Ordered that the final settlement this day made by Samuel ALLEN adm. of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd be received & recorded.

Ordered that the Widow of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd recover of Samuel ALLEN adm. of the said Ichabod ALLEN the sum of Eight hundred and fifty one dollars and twenty one cents, being the distrubutive share of the personal property of said Estate for which Execution may issue.

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Ordered that Samuel ALLEN adm. of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd be allowed the sum of ninety one dollars and three cents for his commissions as adm. of said Estate.

Ordered that Samuel ALLEN recover of Saml ALLEN adm. of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd the sum of two hundred and thirteen 51 1/8/100 dollars for his distributive share of said Estate.

Ordered that Elsy ALLEN recover of Samuel ALLEN adm. of the Estate of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd the sum of two hundred and thirteen 51 1/8 dollars for his distributive share of said Estate for which Execution may issue.

Ordered that Levi LEWIS in right of his wife Pherebe recover of Samuel ALLEN adm. of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd the sum of two hundred and thirteen dollars 51 1/8 cents for his distributive share of said estate for which Execution may issue.

Ordered that Joshua THIGPEN in right of his wife Milly recover of Samuel ALLEN adm. of the Estate of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd the sum of two hundred and thirteen 51 1/8 dollars for his distributive share of said estate for which Execution may issue.

Ordered that Sally BLAND recover of Samuel ALLEN adm. Of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN dec'd the sum of two hundred and thirteen 51 1/8 dollars for her distributive share of said Estate for which execution may issue.

Ordered that the heirs of Tyson ALLEN dec'd recover of Samuel ALLEN adm. of the estate Ichabod ALLEN dec'd the sum of two hundred and thirteen 51 1/8 dollars for their distributive share of said estate for which Execution may issue.

Ordered that the heirs of Thomas ALLEN deceased recover of Samuel ALLEN administrator of the estate of Ichabod ALLEN deceased the sum of two hundred & thirteen dollars & 51 1/8 cents for their distribution of said estate for which Execution may issue.

Ordered that the heirs of Mary LEWIS dec'd recover of Samuel ALLEN administratorof the estate of Ichabod ALLEN deceased the sum of two hundred and thirteen dollars and fifty one & one eighth cents for their distributive share of said estate for which Execution may issue.

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## Thomas GWALTNEY vs. William SHERROD & Reddick TUCKER, 1793

From the New Bern Criminal Action Papers, NC Archives, DSCR. 206. 325. 6. Transcribed by Roger Kammerer.

Newbern District March term 1793
Thomas GWALTNEY complains of William SHERROD & Reddick TUCKER both late of Pitt County planters in custody &c. for this, to wit, that where as the said William & Reddick on the ____ day of _____ in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two with force & arms at Pitt county aforesaid made an assault on the said Thomas whereof the said Thomas was in great danger of losing his life, and also for that the said William, & Reddick afterwards, to wit, on the same day and year, at the county aforesaid, with force & arms, made another assault on the said Thomas & then & there again beat, wounded, imprisoned & ill treated the said Thomas, & him the said Thomas, put in prison without any reasonable cause, against the will of the said Thomas, & against the laws & customs of this State, for a long time, to wit, for the space of six hours detained & kept him the said Thomas in prison as a aforesaid, & other injuries to the said Thomas, then & there did against the peace of the State, to the damage of the said Thomas five hundred pounds. & therefore he brings suit &c. — BIBAKER atty

# Joshua Nobles Estate

Taken from the Pitt County Estate Records, C.R. 079. 508.52 at NC Archives. Transcribed and contributed by Roger Kammerer.

North Carolina Pitt County In Superior Court Sept Term 1897

Osborne NOBLES and Wright NOBLES
VS
J. S. HINES and wife Elsie, C. C. BLAND, W. H. CAMPBELL & wife Laura

The plaintiffs complaining of the defendants say:

1. That Joshua NOBLES died domiciled in Pitt County on or about the ____day of _____1838 seized and possessed of the following described tract of land, to wit: situate in Pitt County in Contentnea township near the present town of Ayden adjoining the lands of J. S. HART, W. H. HARRIS, the C. C. BRAXTON lands and others and Swift Creek, being a part of the Joshua NOBLES land containing 350 acres more or less, leaving a last will and testament in which he devised the aforesaid tract of land to his four sons Thomas, Wright, Charles and Stephen, with the proviso that if either of his said sons should die without issue his or their share or shares should go to and and not in the survivor or survivors, which said will was duly admitted to probate in Pitt County.
2. That thereafter said Charles NOBLES died leaving no issue of him surviving.
3. That said Wright NOBLES died on or about ____day of_____1842 leaving him surviving one child who is the present plaintiff Wright NOBLES.
4. That on or about the ___day of _____1847 Thomas NOBLES by deed conveyed all his interest in the aforementioned tract of land to said Stephen NOBLES.
5. That said Stephen NOBLES died on or about the ____day of _____1854, leaving him surviving one child, who is the present plaintiff Osborne NOBLES, then an infant in arms and his widow Celina who died December 1896.
6. That at his death the said Stephen NOBLES was seized and possessed of the lands described in the first allegation of this complaint, two thirds in his own right and one third in the right of the plaintiff Wright NOBLES who was then a minor.
7. That upon the death of the said Stephen NOBLES the plaintiffs are informed and believe his said widow Celina NOBLES went into possession of the aforesaid lands and the same was assigned to her as her dower.
8. That said widow Celina NOBLES thereafter sold and assigned all her interest in said lands to the ancestor, devisors or assignors of the defendants.
9. That the plaintiffs are now the owners and entitled to the possession of the aforesaid tract or tracts of land, and the defendants wrongfully and unlawfully withold the same.
10. That the annual rental vaue of the aforesaid lands is Two hundred Dollars.

Wherefore the plaintiffs pray Judgment against the defendants:

1. That they be declared to be the owners of the aforesaid lands and for the possession thereof.
2. For the sum of One Thousand Dollars damages for the wrongful detention.
3. For the costs of this action.
4. For such other and further relief as the plaintiffs may be entitled.

Osborne NOBLES one of the plaintiffs above named being duly sworn deposes and says that the facts set forth in the foregoing complaint are true to his own knowledge except as to those matters stated on information and belief and as to those matters he believes them to be true

O. C. NOBLES

Complaint Filed Sept 23/1897 MOORE & MOORE BOND and FLEMING attys for plaintiff

# Coroners Inquest for John Enloe, 1783

Taken from Coroners Inquests, C. R. 028. 928. 1. NC Archives. Contributed by Steven Denmark of Seattle, Washington.

Inquistion November Term 1783 on the body of John ENLOE Pitt County

State of No. Carolina Pitt County}
An inquisition indented Taken at Martinsborough in the County aforesaid before me George FALCONER Coroner of the County aforesaid On Saturday the eighth Day of November Anodomina 1783 and Eight year of American Independence upon the View of the Body of Majr. John ENLOE Then and there Lying Dead in Tar River near his own Landing.
The Jurors Viz David WILLIAMS, Isaac HARDEE, Isaac HARDEE, Anthony DIGGS, John LESSLIE, John HOLLAND, Stephen BROOKS, Thomas GOFF, Peter DIGGINS, John WILLIAMS, Joseph WILLIAMS, William HELLEN, John STORY, Abel DEAL, John FAY (Foy?), Henry HERRINGTON, Colson ADAMS, George MEGOUNS, John DREDING, Archibald ADAMS, Jonathan TISON being Lawfully Sworne Say that the Said ENLOE On the fourth day of November in the year aforesaid and four days before being Lunitick and not of Sound mind Memory and understanding did Go alone to the River aforesd. and Did there Voluntaryly Drowned himself in the Water and that the sd. Enlloe Died possesd. of 3 grown negro fellows One Bay One plantation three horses Eighteen head of Cattle thirty head of hogs and Sundry household goods &c.

George Falconer Coroner

The Evidence of Anthoney Relating to the Death of the Sd. John ENLOE Deceast.
That Majr. John ENLOE On Munday the third day of November about Midnight was not out of his Senses and that On Wednesday the fifth being Call upon to Search for Said Enloe found him Drownd. near his own Landing and further this Deponant Knoweth not

Abraham HARDEE
That Majr. John ENLOE appeared to be Some What out of his Senses on Sunday the Second day of Novr. and was there on the third day about to O'clock and Still appeared to be out his Senses and that the Said ENLOE Died possest of 3 horses Eighteen head of Cattle 30 head of hogs and Sundry houshold goods &c.

William HELLEN
Say that he was at the Said ENLOES On Tuesday the fourth Novr. 1783 and there the Said ENLOE appeared to be out of his Senses

Jemima TAYLOR
Sayeth that the Said ENLOE on the fourth day of Novr. 1783 at night Pulld. of his Cloaths and Lay down a Small Time and believed fell asleep a Small Time and then Got up again and put On his Cloaths and as he was putting on his Stockings put them On Rongside out and heard him Say at the pulling on of his Stocking in the manner aforesd. that it was Good Luck and then Got up and made Some Grog and Drink and then Threw the Can of Water behind the fire and then Told me to Go to the Spring & Bring him another Can full but I Told him I would not go to the Spring but went to the Kitchen and Got Some Water and as I was Returning Saw him Running Towards the River and heard him Say I Surrender Twice and then went into the River and I followed him to the River and Saw him in the River Turning Round and Round and heard him Groan Three Times and that She believes him to have been Out of his Senses four Days before the Said ENLOE went into the Water in manner aforesaid and this is all that the Sd. Deponant Knoweth On her Examination being about Twelve years old.

State of North Carolina
To the Sheriff of the County of Pitt
You are hereby commanded to Sumons Lewis CANNON & Pearson TUTON of said County personally to be and appear before the Judges of the Superior Court of Law & Equity to be held for the District of

NewBern at the Court House in NewBern on the fifteenth Day of May next, then and there to testify & the Truth to say on behalf John ENLOES in a certain matter of Controversy in our said Court depending & then & there to betried between said ENLOES Plaintif and Richard MOY, John MOY and George Moy Junr. Defendants and this they shall in no wise omit. Witness Silas COOKE Clerk of aforesd. Court at NewBern the 26th Day of November in the Seventh Year of American Independance AD. 1783.

Issued 1st March 1783 Silas COOKE Clk SC

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# Survey: Falconer for Tripp & Slaughter, 1786–1788

Photocopy of the originals in the NC Archives, contributed by Janice Tripp Gurganus; transcribed by Elizabeth Ross. Affixed to record is label: No. 1016, Grant No. 892, Issued Nov. 16, 1790.

On the outside fold:

No. 2
George FALCONER
90 Acres
Jan 22th 1788.
Pitt
Assigned to Caleb TRIP &
John SLAUGHTER
90 Acres
Pitt County

State of North Carolina No. 2
William MOYE Entry Officer of Claims For land in the County of pitt —
To the Surveyor of the Said County Greeting
You are hereby requested as Soon as may be to lay off and Survey For George FALCONER a Tract or percel of land Containing Ninty ninety Acres Between the lines of William TURNER John SLAUGHTER and the lines of the Land Caleb TRIP now lives on Known Furter [further] by John BRAXTONs Entry — — Observing the Directions of the Act of Assembly in Such Case made and provided for Running out lands Two Just and Fair plans of Such Survey with a proper Certificate annexed to Each you are to Transmit with this Warrant to the Secretarys office without Delay

Given under my Hand at Contentanea
the 12th Day June Anno Domini 1786
Wm MOYE E T

Survey'd Sept 11th 1788 For Calep TRIPP and John SLAUGHTERs Jointly as Assinees of George FALCONER Ninty Acres of land Sittuate in pitt County on the South Side of Tarr River and Both Sides of Swift Creek Begining Begining at a pine John BRAXTONs Corner on the Earl granville line on Swift Creek Swamp and Runs BRAXTONs line north one hundrd and Fifty pole to a Red Oak in gum Swamp then East Twenty Seven pole to a pine on Swift Creek Swamp then Down to Swift Creek Swamp Side Fifty Seven pole to a pine than East Twenty Four pole to a poplar on the East Side of Said Swamp in Sarah MARNERs line then with her given line Down the Swamp thirty pole to a gum in the Run of the Second branch then up the Second Branch and Sarah MARNERs Eighty ___ [illegible] pole to a gum then South to the Earl granville line and with that line to the Big miry

CB James BRAXTON
& John SLAUGHTER

Wm. MOYE Surv'r

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# Pitt County Wills

## Will of James JOHNSTON, 1817

The Johnston will appeared in the *Pitt County Genealogical Quarterly*, Vol. 5, No. 3, August 1998, but was erroneously truncated; it is reprinted here in full. From Pitt County Wills, C. R. 079. 801. 9, NC Archives; transcribed by Elizabeth Ross.

In the name God Amen. I James JOHNSTON Senr of Pitt County & State of North Carolina, being somewhat indisposed in body but of Sound mind & Memory thanks be given unto God. Do make & ordain this my last will & testament in form & manner following (vizt)
First I give to my Son William JOHNSTON his and Benjamin C DUPREES Senr. note of hand in my possession for ninety three silver dollars with interest from the 23rd of October 1802 & no more in consideration of the provision I have heretofore made him.
Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Hardie JOHNSTON twenty five dollars & no more in consideration of the equivalent provision I have heretofore made for him.
Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son James JOHNSTON Junr. one feather bed & furniture & all my hatters tools which the said James Johnston Junr. is now in possession of & no more, in consideration of the equivalent provision made him heretofore
Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Richard JOHNSTON one note of hand from him to me given for one hundred Pounds virginia Currency, one feather bed & furniture, one cow & calf, & no more.
Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Stephen JOHNSTON one feather bed & furniture which he is of; & no more in consideration of the equivalent provision I have heretofore made for him.
Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Jordan JOHNSTON, one negro boy named Dick, & one feather bed & furniture, which he is now in possession of & no more.
Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Cornelius JOHNSTON one negro man named Isaac. one feather bed & furniture, one horse, all my Crop of corn, fodder, & peas &c. together with every other Crop which Shall hereafter be made on the plantation whereon I now live, during my natural life together with all my farming tools of every denomination, all my hogs, together with one Stil, also one Cow & Calf, two yoke of Steers & no more.
Item. I lend to my Daughter Anna SPELL one bed & furniture, one negro girl named Sinah dureing her natural life, & to heirs Lawfully begotten of her own body, & Should the Said Ann Spell die without Isue, then it is my will that the feather bed & furniture, & Said negro girl named Sinah together with her increase Shall descend back to my heirs & equally divided among them.
Item. I lend to my Daughter Polly BLAND one negro boy named Aaron, one feather bed & furniture dureing her natural life, & then to heirs Lawfully begotten of her own body, to them & their heirs forever.
Item. I lend to my Daughter Charity JOHNSTON one feather bed & furniture, one negro boy named Redding, one negro boy named Stephen, one negro woman named Nan dureing her natural life, & to the heirs Lawfully begotten of own body, to them & their heirs forever. It is my will that if the Said Charity JOHNSTON die without Isue then ifor the Said bed & furniture together with the above named negroes & their increase to decend back to my Children. & equally divided among them or their Lawful heirs.
I lend to my Daughter Susanna WALSTON one negro girl named Maria dureing her natural life; then to the heirs Lawfully begotten of her own body to them & their heirs, & all the increase of Said negro Maria forever.
Item. I lend to my Daughter Pheby WILLIAMS one negro girl named Amy dureing her Natural life; then to the heirs Lawfully begotten She & her increase forever.
Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Randolph JOHNSTON, one feather bed & furniture, one Sorrel Mare, one Cow & Calf, one Bridle & Saddle at twenty dollars, one Shot gun.

It is my will that the balance of my Stock not given away consisting of Cattle, & Sheep, together with the balance of mt house hold & kitchen furniture, not given away Should be Sold togeth with one bay mare, & after takeing out forty five dollars to be reserved by the executors of this my last will & testament for the purpose of bying Randolp JOHNSTON the above mentioned Bridle & Saddle & to pay to my Son Hardie JOHNSTON the above mentioned Twenty five dollars. then it is my will that the

balance of the money Should be equally divided among five of my Children (vizt) Richard JOHNSTON, Polly BLAND, Cornelius JOHNSTON, Charity JOHNSTON & Randolph JOHNSTON.

Lastly I ordain, constitute & appoint my two Sons James JOHNSTON Junr. & Cornelius JOHNSTON Executors of this my last will & testament Revoking all & every other will ot testament, heretofore made by me or executed. I witness I have hereunto set my hand & Seal 26th October 1817

### Will of David AVERETT, 1807

Taken from the Pitt County Wills, C.R. 079. 801.1, NC Archives. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

In the name of God Amen, I David AVERETT of the State of North Carolina & County of Pitt being affected in Body & low in health but in sound mind and memory thanks be to God for it Calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul unto the hands of almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be laid in a decent Christian _____? (blobbed) intentions of my Executor nothing doubting that at the general resorection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as to acknowleding such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give dis mis and disposeof the same in the following manner aform first I order that my Just debts may be discharged I lends I give to my Son Demcy AVERITT five Shillings also I lends I give to my Daughter Charity AVERITT five Shillings also I lend to my Wife all my hole living long and all during her Widowhood I lends I give and bequeth to my Daughter Nancy AVERETT Twenty five acres of Land with my House and plantation whereon I live beginning at the mouth of the Medow branch I lends I give to my Daughter Sary Twenty five acres Joining Nancys Twenty five running with the beaverdam Swamp and with the medow branch and I desire that if either of them die without heir that the others _hould purses both Twenty five acres also I desire that the rest of my Land be equally devided amongst my other Six Children after the Widowhood of their Mother or her decease. Also I desire that if the mill should be put up that the one part that the Mill is an should be valued and what that part is valued to more than the others parts should be equally devided amongst my Eight Children after the widowhood of their mother or decease which land is bounded as follows Runing with the beaver dan swamp to Sterling AVERETTS and with said AVERETTS line to the medow branch and with branch to the beaver dan swamp of this my last Will and Testamint In Witness whereof I have set my hand and left my seal June the 30th 1807 and Ecknowledged
David (his mark) AVERETT [SEAL]
William NICHOLS
Whitney NICHOLS

Pitt County February term 1808
The last will and Testament of David AVERETT decd. was proved in open Court on oath by William NICHOLS one of the Subscribing witnesses thereto ordered to be recorded
Richard EVANS Asst Clerk

COPY Alexander EVANS CLK

### Will of Charles HADDOCK, Pulaski Co., Ga. 1820

Taken from page 58 of a Pulaski Co., Ga. Will Book. Transcribed by Roger Kammerer from a photocopy of the original will page contributed by Frankie Meyer of Joplin, Mo.

State of Georgia Pulaski County }
In the name of God Amen I Charles HADDOCK of the said State and County being of sound mind and Memory but low in health and well knowing the uncertainty of human life and certainty of death do make and Ordain this my last will and testament as follows.

Item 1st I give to my son William the sum of Three hundred and forty dollars in Notes on William SMITH which are payable at Christmas next.
Item 2nd I give and bequeath to Dicy EDWARDS my Wifes grand daughter one feather bed and bedstead 1 Spinning wheel and cards and 2 chairs 1 small pot and spider and the knives and forks and plates.
Item 3rd. I give and bequeathed to my daughters Sarah SUTTON and Mary MILLS one negro girl by the name of Eliza One note on Jesse CANNON for One hundred and forty dollars one Note on Giles NELSON for one hundred and seventy dollars and Interest one reciept in James ENGLISHS hands for collection out of sundry persons in North Carolina the sum of Three hundred and twenty nine Dollars & interest also one note on Peter ALBRITTON for twenty dollars also one bay horse and one bay mare also three Cows and Calves two dry Cows one Steer & one two year old heifer to be equally divided between them
Item 4th I give and bequeath to my grandson Charles MILLS one two year old heifer
Item 5th I give and bequeath to my grandson Charles HADDOCK one two year old heifer
Item 6th I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha HADDOCK one feather bed and bedstead
Item 7th I give and bequeath to my daughters Sarah SUTTON and Mary MILLS all my crop now growing also all my farming tools to be estimated and equally divided between them—also all my stock of Hogs
Item 8th I give and bequeath to my son William HADDOCK one Cart and one Shot gun
Item 9th I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Furney F. GATLIN and my son William HADDOCK executors to this my last will and testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 4th day of September 1820.
Signed & sealed in presence of us} Charles HADDOCK (seal)
G. B. GARDNER
Jas. S. IVEY
Furney F. GATLIN

I Charles HADDOCK being of sound mind and memory do make the following alteration to the above Will that is to say I give unto my wife Anna HADDOCK the use of the plantation whereon I live together with all the farming utensils during the term of her natural life also I give her all my crop all my stock of cattle & hogs & two horses & household furniture one negro girl Eliza and at her death to go to those named in the above Will to whom I had before bequeathed it. Signed and sealed by me This 4th September 1820. Witnesses Charles HADDOCK SS
G. B. GARDNER
Jas. S. IVEY
Furney F. GATLIN
Proven in open Court November 13th 1820 on the oath of G. B. GARDNER one of the witnesses
Gray B. GARDNER D. CLK

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## Triple Drowning

*Daily Reflector,* Mon., May 23, 1904

On Sunday, Allen FORBES and his son Charles, together with Henry ARNOLD, Charles BRAXTON and Louis Allen, all white, went to Bell's seine beach, about three miles below town, on Tar river. Late in the afternoon the five men crossed the river in a canoe. Just before reaching land the boat took water and sunk. Louis ALLEN and Charles BRAXTON swam ashore and saved themselves. Allen FORBES and Henry ARNOLD had also nearly reached a place of safety when they saw Charles ALLEN, who was a cripple, struggling in the water and went to his aid. The three were drowned together. Tidings of the accident reached town some time later and a messenger went out to the home of Mr. FORBES to advise his wife of it. When the messenger reached the home he found mourning already there, an eight months old child having died about the time the drowning occurred. All the bodies were found today.

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# Red Banks Primitive Baptist Church Records
## Marriages and Deaths, 1792—1860

Abstracted from microfilm by Victor T. Jones, Jr., local history and genealogy librarian at the New Bern—Craven County Public Library.

The microfilm records of Red Banks Church are available for research at the NC Division of Archives and History, Raleigh, NC. The microfilmed copy of the records, though legible, are very difficult to read. Many of the minutes are completely out of chronological order, jumping from the 1810's to the 1830's, back to the 1820's . There is also a noticeable gap in the records from 1817 to 1822, as well as a few missing pages here and there. It may be that the few missing pages are located elsewhere on the microfilm. I was able to find much information on my ancestor Elder James Griffin and his brother Lanier Griffin, both Primitive Baptist ministers. I hope that others will find the following deaths and marriages helpful in their research. For a brief history of the Red Banks Primitive Baptist Church see the Pitt County Genealogical Journal, Vol. IV, No. I, February 1997.

11 March 1792—— Sarah RINGGOLD died.
15 October 1792——Mary POWELL died.
17 October 1792—Levi NOBLES died, John STOCKS died.
October 1793——Henry CANNON died.
February 1794—Isaac GARDINER died.
1 June 1794—Mary CANNON married John MOYE.
[June?] 1794—James NELSON died.
13 December 1794—Reuben and Susanna POWELL were given a letter to a Baptist Church in Georgia.
25 December 1794—Delana VINSON died.
1[__?] February 1795—Susanna POWELL died.
7 May 1795—Mary HARRIS died.
2 February 1795—Archibald ADAMS of Flat Swamp Church died.
January 1796—Thomas HARDEE and wife and Anne ROUNTREE were given a letter to a Baptist Church in Georgia. The letter given to William TRAVIS, who had moved to Georgia and had not joined a church, was recinded.
September 1796?—Brother VINSON died.
8 September 1797—Susanna ALBRITTON excommunicated for seperation.
June 1801?—Elizabeth M'GOWNS died.
October 1801—Anna EASTWOOD married William BRUER.
December 1801—Anna BRUER was set aside from communion for further information concerning her being married to a married man.
Maech 1802—Anna BRUER was excommunicated "for Joining in Affiance with a Married man".
1 September 1803—Samuel ALBRITTON married Tabitha BELL.
18 December 1803—Charity AVERET married Ephriam BROOKS.
25 September 1804—Archibald ADAMS died.
26 September 1804—John MOYE died.
30 September 1804—Asha MOYE died.
31 May 1805—Elizabeth COX died.
October? 1805—Elizabeth BOND died.
August? 1806—Phereby ALLEN died.
1 May 1807—Charles ROSS died.
May 1807—William SMITH died.
5 August 1807—Anne CHERRY died.
20 October 1807—Sampson SLAUGHTER died.
October? 1807—David, a black man, died.

30 November 1808—Mary TAYLOR died.
20 March 1809—Asha ADAMS died.
30 January 1810—Mary MOORE died.
11 March 1811—John NOBLE died.
10 August 1811—"received information that Jim and Airey a Black Brother and Sister were Dead."
27 January 1812—Gabe died.
October 1812—Leah ENGLISH died.
20 November 1812—Tryphena WILLIAMS died.
7 January 1814—George WILLIAMS died.
17 March 1817?—Starkey BELL died.
1 October 1827—William CHERRY died.
15 April 1828—Sister BROOKS died.
6 June 1829—Sarah BELL died.
24 January 1830?—Mary BETHARDS died.
24 May 1830—Mary CORY? died.
17 September 1830—William PAGE died.
February 1831—John C. MOYE and wife received a letter of dismissal to "Perlaky County, Georgia."
28 February 1833—Tiller, one of the Black Sisters, departed this life.
25 May 1833—Sary CARREL died.
13 November 1833—Lydia SMITH died.
26 November? 1833—Margret SIRMAN died.
16 December 1833—Lydia SMITH died.
18 June 1834—James DENBY died.
22 May 1835—Nancy HARDEE died.
12 December 1837—Noah TISON died.
14 December 1837—David SUTTON died.
13 February 1838?—John EVANS died.
21 July 1844—David that belonged to Mr. Luke ALBRITTON departed this life.
31 August 1844—Abram C. HARDEE died.

The following appeared on the same page as the 1844 death announcements:
15 April 1862—Caleb NELSON died.
14 May 1864—Julia BELL died.
26 May 1867—Elisabeth WETHEINGETON died.
17 July 1867—Lany CHERRY died.
30 April 1870—Jesse CHERRY died.

26 December 1845—Sister Liscom CAMBEL died.
1 June 1846—Rody PAGE died.
25 June 1847—Martha SMITH died.
28 June 1847—Peter NELSON died.
13 August 1847—Elizabeth SMITH died.
16 September 1847—Sarah BELL died.
13 September 1847—Rose died.
18 June 1848—Susanna RINGOLD died.
21 October 1848—Irvin died.
12 or 14? February 1849—Belle, a colored woman, died.
14 February 1850—Mingo KNOX, a colored man, died.
5 July 1850—Allen STOCKS died.
Between Dec. 1850 and Jan. 1851—Susanna STOCKS married Thomas M. EDWARDS.
6 January 1851—Esther EDWARDS died.
11 January 1851—Elizabeth NELSON died.
19 January 1852—Alafare MCGOANS died.
29 June 1852—Peter PATRICK, a colored man, died.

20 November 1852—Timney (Timmy?) A. TISON died.
7 July 1855—Aaron died. [stricken through]
30 December 1855—Moses TISON died.
26 June 1857?—Gorg MCGOWANS died.
8 November 1857—Sary TISON died.
11 March 1860—Charlotte TISON.
Here is where I stopped; however, the minutes continue on to the early 1900's on microfilm.

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# Cherry/Daniel Bill of Sale

The following is a transcription by Roger Kammerer from a photocopy of the original owned by Goldis Starling Reel. The unrecorded bill of sale was not stamped and is not found in the court house.

This Indenture made this 29th day of March 1837 between Churchill PERKINS and John S SMITH both of the County of Pitt & State of N Carolina Witnesseth

That the said Churchill PERKINS for & in consideration of the sum of One dollar to him in hand paid by the said John S SMITH the reciept whereof is hereby acknowledged & himself concenet [?] satisfied contented & paid hath remind released and quit claimed & by these present do hereby remind release and forever quit claim to him the said John S SMITH all the right title & interest of the said Churchill PERKINS in the following negro slaves viz. John Nelly & Dan which slaves were a part of those devised by John CHERRY by will dated March 8, 1817 to his daughter Peggy DANIEL during her life and then to be equally divided among the lawful heirs of her body and to which the said PERKINS acquired a title by purchase from John CHERRY who purchased from W DANIEL, the said Wm DANIEL and Sally the wife of the aforesaid John S SMITH being the sole children of the said Peggy DANIEL. To have & to hold to him the saie John S SMITH subject however to the life estate of the said Peggy his exrs. adms. & assignees forever.

In testimony whereof the said Churchill PERKINS hath hereunto set his hand & seal the day and year above written.

Signed sealed & sline
in presence of
Jas S HAWKS

C. PERKINS {Seal}

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## North Carolina Rifles

*Tarboro Southerner*, Dec. 3, 1859

We understand (says the *Petersburg Express*) that arrangements are pending between Mr. Calvin COX, of Pitt County, N. C., inventor of the best breech loading rifle now entant, and Mr. James DOHERTY, of this city, inventor and manufacturer of the celebrated DOHERTY increase twist rifle, for the manufacture of the former article. There is no rifle maker in the Union to whom could be better confided such work than DOHERTY. His rifles are known to the Union over and with his workmanship, the patent is sure to flourish.

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# Bible Records

## The Henry Barnhill Bible

*Davis Lee McWhorter Papers, ECU Manuscript Collection #230.1. The Bible was printed in Dublin, Ireland in 1745. Barnhill descendants are concentrated in the northern parts of Pitt County, and in neighboring Martin and Beaufort Counties. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.*

James Barnhill, son of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born Oct. 30, 1754
David Barnhill, son of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born Nov. 25, 1756
Henry Barnhill, son of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born Feb. 6, 1759
Betty Barnhill, dau. of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born Sept. 4, 1960
Susanna Barnhill, dau. of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born Jan. 29, 1763
Lydia Barnhill, dau. of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born Feb. 27, 1766
William Barnhill, son of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born May 15, 1768
George Barnhill, son of Henry and Betty Barnhill, was born Jan. 15, 1771

## The Mabel Barnhill Bible

*Davis Lee McWhorter Papers, ECU Manuscript Collection #230.1. Barnhill descendants are concentrated in the northern parts of Pitt County, and in neighboring Martin County. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.*

Wm. C. Barnhill died Oct 20, 1862
James Sylvester Barnhill died April 24, 1882
Joel H. Barnhill b. June 16, 1846—Oct. 12, 1887
Guilford S. Barnhill died 1892
Julius Henry Barnhill born Dec. 23, 1848—June 29, 1915
William Barnhill died Oct. 2, 1881
William Barnhill born May 15, 1768
Smithwick Whitley born July 16, 1802
Lindley? Riley Whitley born Aug. 27 1821

## Beasor Barrow Bible

*Transcribed by Roger Kammerer from a handwritten copy of the bible record found in the Elizabeth Moore Collection, 322.2, East Carolina Manuscript Collection, J. Y. Joyner Library, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC.*

Marriages
Beasor Barrow and Eliza E Mares was married December the 16th 1823
Wm C. Arnold and Sophia E. Barrow was married Oct. the 8th 1844.
John McLearen and Mary E. Barrow was married Jan the 26th 1847
Robert B. Barrow and Harriet A. Mudge was married Sept. the 25th 1855
Barney S. Barrow and Louigenia A. Dodson was married Sept. 23d 1856
Peyton S. Durr and Virginia A. Barrow was married March the 30th 1858
William H. Barrow and Alsa L. McDonald was married Oct 10/58
Joel J. Snellings and Nancy E. Barrow was married Dec 7th/58
Jerry W. Segrest and Susan J. Barrow was married June 16th 1863
J. L. Oliver and Eliza E. Barrow was married Sept 5 1867

Births
Resen B Arnold son of Wm C & S. E. Arnold was born in the year of our Lord Sept. the 6th 1846
Mary E. Arnold was born in the year of our Lord July the 20th 1848

Cornelius E. Arnold was born in the year of our Lord June the 10th 1850
John R. Arnold was born in the year of our Lord July the 20th 1852
William F. Arnold was born in the year of our Lord Jan. the 6th 1854
Eugenia S. Arnold was born in the year of our Lord Jan the 6th 1854
Virginia Eleanor Arnold was born August 17th 1857
Martha Jane Daughter of John and Mary E. McLauren was born in the year of our Lord Nov. the 25th 1847
Eliza E. McLauren was born in the year of our Lord Sept the 8th 1849 and died July the 9th 1854
May J McLaren was born in the year of our Lord Feb 18th 1853 and died August the 4th 1854
John E. I. (?) McLaren was born in the year of our Lord Sept the 28th 1855
Charles Barrow McLaren was born in the year of our Lord 13th Oct 1857
William B. Barrow son of R & H. A. Barrow was born in the year of our Lord July the 1st 1856

Deaths
Doct Joseph Mares Father of Eliza E. Barrow Departed this life Oct 20th 1843
Margeret Elizabeth daughter of Beasor Barrow & Eliza E his wife departed this life Feby 1st 1826
Joseph B. departed this life August 6th 1828
Mary V. Barrow daughter of B. S. Barrow and Lugena his wife departed this life June 21st 1861
Edwin Alvy son of Joel A Snellings and N. E. his wife departed this life Aug the 14 1861
Mary V. Snellings departed this life Aug. 8th 1862
Eugene Strickland Son of W. C. Arnold and Sophia his wife departed this life April 29th 1855
William C. Arnold departed this life Oct 19th/58
Beasor Barrow departed this life Oct 25th 1861 aged 60 yrs 10 months and 5 days
John B. Barrow departed this life J__? 26th 1863
J. L. Oliver departed this life Sept 24th 1872
W. H. Barrow died in Eufaula July 21 1885

## The Abram Baker Bible

*The Baker family lived in Pitt and Greene Counties. Photocopies of the Bible records were found in the North Carolina Archives and transcribed and (paraphrased) by Roger Kammerer in 1985.*

Abram Baker, son of Asa Baker and Vasti his wife born Jan. 8, 1798, died July 10, 1866
Abram Baker, son of Asa and Vasti married Mary Taylor, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Taylor, March 29, 1821

Children of Abram & Mary:
Joseph James Baker, born Feb. 9, 1823, died 1837
Asa Allen Baker born Sept 3, 1824
Mary Elizabeth Baker born Dec. 25, 1825
Sidney Baker [daughter] born Feb. 2, 1829, died Jan. 12, 1846
Martha Adaline Baker, born Nov. 23, 1830, died 1849
Sally Jane Baker, born Jan. 4, 1833
Chrischaney Eveline born Dec. 3, 1834
Vasti Baker born Oct. 12, 1836
Abram Baker, born Feb. 14, 1839
Emmanuel Baker, born Apr. 1, 1841, died 1863
Nancy Catherine Baker, born Nov. 2, 1843
Mary Baker, wife of Abram, died April 1, 1870, aged 69

MARRIAGES
Mary Baker married Charles F. Braxton, Dec. 14, 1848
Sarah Jane Baker married Wm. A. Robinson, Jan. 30, 1851
Abram Baker, Jr., married Malvina Hardison, March 18, 1860
Asa Allen Baker married Polly Ann White Leggett, daughter of Whitmel Leggett & Louisa Dudley, June 28, 1866

Selete Ann Braxton, Daughter of Charles and Mary E. Braxton, born Sept. 17, 1858

Children of Abram Baker and Malvina Hardison:
Abram Baker - born Nov. 8, 1868
Wm. Baker - born Oct. 16, 1870
James Baker - born Nov. 18, 1871
Joseph Baker - born July 30, 1875
Lucy Baker - born June 16, 1877
Charles Baker - born May 3, 1879

*—written in another hand and included on xerox copy:*
"also children but not listed in Bible"
Della married James R. Whitehurst
Sallie married George Roberson
Mamie married Walter Anderson

## The Bland-Griffin Bible & Record

*Photocopies of the original contributed by Mrs. Betsy Harper of Grifton, NC, 1995. The title pages are torn away, and there were no formal record pages. However, between the old and new testaments, one blank page was inscribed, and a loose leaf inserted. The loose leaf appears to be the end page of another book. This Bible is not terribly old, and would appear to have belonged to Mrs. Gertrude Green Bland Griffin. Transcribed by Elizabeth Ross.*

Inscription on blank page:
Gertrude Griffin wife of J. C. Griffin Died Jan. 5 1926.

Loose page inserted in same place:
Hector Bland son of E. A. & Gertrude Bland was borned August 20 1894
Wolga Bland son of E A & Gertrude Bland was borned November 22 1897
Mattie Bonilyn, daughter of E. A & Gertrude Bland was borned November 20—1899
Mattie Bonilyn, daughter of E. A & Gertrude Bland died Nov 25—1900
Hector Bland married January 2, 1920—to Viola Louise Turner.

Edwan Argustus Bland born June 4—1851
Gertrude Green Bland born Oct 4—1871 Married Jan. 1—1890
Edward Argustus Bland died Oct. 25—1901
Annie Gertrude Bland, daughter of Hector & Ola Bland—born February 19, 1921.
Wolga Bland married October 25, 1920—to Wilhelmina Rein.

James Cicero Griffin and Gertrude Bland married—December 22, 1919.

## The William R. Cherry Bible

*From the "Cobb-Cherry Bible Records" folder, "Miscellaneous Genealogies" file of the East Carolina University Manuscript Collection, photocopies of the record pages. Transcribed by Elizabeth Ross.*

Marriages
William R. Cherry and Ann E. Brown was married November the 15th day-1842
William R. Cherry and Francis E. Savage was married April 22nd day 1857
William T. Gorham and Mary A. Cherry were married March 4th 1868
Benjamin F. Cobb and Mariah Alice Cherry were maried Nov 20th 1872

Births
William R. Cherry Son of Theos. Cherry and Julia his wife was borned November the 10th 1821
Ann Eliza Brown Daughter of William R. Brown and Mary his wife was borned September the 9th A.D. 1818
Mary Ann Cherry (daughter of William R. & Ann Eliza) was borned October the 1st 1843
Mariah Allis Cherry Daughter of Wm. R. and Ann E. Cherry was borned October the 30th day 1845
William Theophilus Cherry (Son of Wm. R. and Ann E.) was borned October the 14th 1847
Sidney Francis Cherry (Daughter of Wm. R. and Ann E. was borned June the 10th 1850
Georgeanah Cherry was borned January the 29th day A. D. 1853
Ann Eliza Cherry (Daughter of Wm. R. and Frances E. G.? was born January 11, 1858
Robert Alston Cherry borned March 10th 1859 (Son of W. R. Cherry & E. F. his Wife)
Julia B. Cherry was borned Nov 13th 1860 (Daughter of Wm. R. Cherry & E. F.)
Lucy G. Cherry Daughter of W. R. Cherry Frances E. his wife was borned 16 of Aug 1862
William Henry Joseph Cherry, son of William R. & Francis E. his wife was borned 25 of January 1865
Joe Cherry (son of William R., and Frances E., his wife, was borned Feb. 19th 1867

*[next 2 entries on "Births" page, added later]*
Joe Cherry died Oct 16th 1935
Lucy G. Cherry, daughter of W. R. Cherry & Frances E. his wife died Jan. 21, 1961

Deaths
Theophilus Cherry Died December 12th 1839
Sidney Hyman Wife of Samuel Hyman died 15th day of November 1843
George Brown died January 25th 1849
Ann Eliza Cherry wife of W. R. Cherry died the 28th of May 1856
Wm. Redding Brown died 21st March 1841
Alston Savage died February 21st A. D. 1859
Margarett F. Bryan wife of Blount Bryan Died uly 13th 1861
William T. Cherry Son of W. R. Cherry Ann Eliza his wife Died 4 [or 6?]th of Oct 1862
Georgianna Cherry Daughter of W. R. Cherry and Ann Eliza his wife Died Sept 17th 1862
Thomas F. Cherry died November 19th 1865
William Henry Joseph Cherry Son of W. R. Cherry Francis E. his wife Died 6th of February 1866
C. C. Cherry died 22nd Oct 1866
Henry R. Cherry died July 13th 1867
William R. Cherry died July 24th 1875
Frances E. Cherry died June 18th 18__ [written over, possibly 1875? or 1885?]
Julia B. Cherry died Feb 14th 1879

*[last 2 entries in same handwriting, added to bottoms of pages later]*
Marry A. Gorham wife of William T. Gorham died Jan 8th 1931
Robert Cherry died [no dates given]

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## Hugh Pugh vs. David Smith, 1788

Taken from the New Bern Criminal Action Papers, NC Archives, DSCR. 206. 326. 2

Newbern district
Superior Court of Law November term 1788.

The Jurors for the State upon their oath present that, David SMITH late of Pitt county planter, on the tenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, and in the thirteenth year of the Independence of the State with force and arms, in the county and district aforesaid in and upon Hugh PUGH, in the peace of God and the State then and there being, did make an assault; and him the said Hugh then and there did beat, wound, and ill treat, and other wrongs to the said Hugh then and there did, to his great damage and against the peace and dignity of the State. — A. MOORE AttGenl.

# Pitt County Reunions

Reunions, Birthdays, and other celebrations in various newspapers, compiled by Roger Kammerer.

James R. D. MOORE Birthday Celebrated
As reported in the *Daily Reflector*, Fri., Sept. 8, 1932

Farmville, Sept. 8.— A celebration of the 79th birthday of James R. D. MOORE by his son, Roy W. MOORE of Marlboro, came as a complete surprise to him on Tuesday , when after an automobile ride, he was driven to the home of his son, there to find many members of his family and several friends waiting at a table laden with a feast prepared in his honor. Mr. MOORE, who is known throughout this section, was born in Wilson, his family coming to the Tyson Church section of this county in 1866. Thirty years later Mr. MOORE moved his own family to Marlboro, residing on a farm owned by R. L. DAVIS for the past 30 years. A proof of his thrift, activity and interest in the future is demonstrated in his recent purchase of the KILLEBREW farm near Fountain, where he expects to pass the rest of his days as he expresses it, "under my own roof". In addition to his father and members of his family, Mr. Moore's son had as guests two septungenarians, Watt PARKER, 73, and J. B. NORRIS, 77, who were his playmates and boyhood friends, J. D. GATES, B. J. SKINNER and Lacy ROBINSON. Mr. MOORE has eleven children, seven daughters: Mrs. John WARD of Saratoga, Mrs. W. G. LITTLE, Mrs. Nettie Grey MOORE and Mrs. Roy BRAXTON of Marlboro; Mrs. Hicks MELTON of Farmville; Mrs. C. D. WETHERINGTON and Mrs. Lindsay HALES of Baltimore; four sons, C. L. MOORE of Rocky Mount, Andrew J. MOORE, chief of police of Scotland Neck. Hal S. MOORE of Marlboro, and Roy W. MOORE of Marlboro.

Aaron P. TURNAGE Observes 87th Birthday
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., August 21, 1936

Aaron P. TURNAGE, highly esteemed Pitt County citizen and a former planter, was honored at a sumptuous barbecue supper on Wednesday evening, given by two of his sons: J. R., of Durham, and L. E. TURNAGE, Farmville; the enjoyable occasion being held in celebration of his eighty—seventh anniversary, at the TURNAGE homestead, near Farmville. Relatives and guests, gathered to offer congratulations, numbered fifty—five, with six of the seven sons as honor guests in the assemblage: J. R., Durham; M. L. and D. L., Greenville; C. A., Washington; J. M., Richmond; A. C. and L. E. TURNAGE, Farmville. J. M. TURNAGE was unable to be present. Sharing honors with her husband at the head of the table was Mrs. TURNAGE, formerly Miss Carrie SPEIGHT, who is eighty—two years young. This estimable couple—a gentleman and gentlewoman of the old school—have spent more than three decades of their four—score years together, and in their loving and faithful companionship, enduring through the years, is regarded by their wide acquaintances as an example worthy of deepest consideration and emulation by this, or any other generation.

Mrs. Washington SMITH Celebrates 84th Birthday
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., June 10, 1938

Mrs. Mattie J. SMITH, celebrated her 84th birthday at her home near Fountain on Sunday, June 5, with a long table prepared in the lawn, with a barbecue dinner and other accessories. At one end of the table there was a beautiful birthday cake decorated for the occasion. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. RANDOLPH, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. SMITH and daughters, Alice HICKS and Mary THOMAS of Greenville, Mr. Ed SMITH and son, Henry, and daughter, Emily of Fountain; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. CASE and children, Edgar and Hazel of Fountain; Mr. and Mrs. Cary GAYNOR of Fountain; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce BEASLEY of Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney WILLIAMS and daughter, Elizabeth, of Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis DOZIER and son, Curtis Lee, of Fountain; Mr. and Mrs. Luther DAIL and children, Doris, H. L. and Lena, Edna and Ronald CARRAWAY of Snow Hill; Mrs. Addie CORBETT and son, Seba, of Fountain. Mrs. Smith received many beautiful birthday gifts and we wish her many more happy birthdays.

Comrades in Reunion
*Farmville Enterprise,* Fri., Dec. 10, 1937

Last Friday night Watt PARKER, S. M. POLLARD, J. B. JOHNSON, J. B. MOBLEY and Peyton T. ATKINSON, all past commanders of James Thomas SMITH Camp No. 17, United Spanish War Veterans, were assembled together at the home of Mr. ATKINSON, which is a hundred years old and located on the hard surface road from Farmville to Bruce. We doubt if any more appreciated moments were spent in this vicinity throughout the Thanksgiving season than these enjoyed by this little band of comrades, who feasted on fruits and conversation, breaking camp at a late hour and skidooing for their own dugouts.

Quadruple Anniversary Celebration
*Farmville Enterprise,* Fri., Aug. 18, 1933

Mrs. Michal Joyner WILKERSON of the old Green Springs farm, homestead of Howell and Michal Moore JOYNER, her grandparents, and Howell and Martha Turnage JOYNER, her parents, entertained thirty friends on Sunday in honor of the birthday anniversaries of her sons, Charlie WILKERSON, 23, John Moseley WILKERSON, 19, her sister Miss Mary JOYNER, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Watt PARKER, whose birth dates come within four days of each other. Miss Christine EDWARDS of Hookerton was a special guest and entertained with music. A real home grown barbecue and chicken dinner with salads, sandwiches, tea, cake and ice cream was served under the welcome shade of a friendly tree in the old grove, where some and many of the JOYNERS dwelt and feasted in the 18th and 19th centuries—in the days of yore, when hog and hominy, scuppernong wine, the long remembered and once cherished apple cider, honey and brandy were more plentiful than the modern 3.2 beer, and other unknown analysis of the present Roosevelt administration. In those good old days that neighborhood had for its slogan, "Broad Branch River, big ears of corn, fat meat a plenty, no poor kin, rich are dying and many coming in, pretty girls, old apple Jack, if you ever visit us once you'll sho' want to come back." On either side of the noted Branch have dwelt many pioneer families; Kinion HARRIS, Thomas HARRIS, Moses JONES, Laurence WALLACE, W. H. WILKERSON, Blaney JOYNER, John PARKER, Lucy TUGWELL, Stephen COBB, Calvin JONES, Elijah PARKER, Wiley COBB, Benjamin BELCHER, Moses, John T., Joel B. and Henry TYSON, Col. Lambert, William LAMB, Wiley WILLIAMS, Noah BUNDY, Peck, L. P. and James BEARDSLEY and J. A. MATTHEWS. Around the original Green Springs was once a noted Indian assembly place and many arrow heads, pieces of pottery and small mounds may be found there today. Uncle WATT

Birthday Party
*Farmville Enterprise,* Fri., March 22, 1935

The children of G. W. GRIFFIN gave him a delightful birthday dinner, Sunday, March 17, at his home near Greenville, it being the occasion of his 78th anniversary. Places were laid for 74 guests. Mr. GRIFFIN is father of 10 children, has 59 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. P. WILLIAMS, Mr. and Mrs. Steven KENNEDY, Mr. and Mrs. Blan KENNEDY, Charlie KENNEDY, Miss Naomi KENNEDY, Miss Rena HOUSTON, Pink Hill; Woodrow and Rossie MOORE, Mr. and Mrs. Alton PEEDE, Snow Hill; Mrs. Tommie BRINSON, Rev. Cador FOSTER, Richlands; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. PARKER, Farmville; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. RICHARD, Mrs. Winnie FORBES, Mrs. J. F. STOCKS, A. B. MOYE and children, Mrs. Elmer NELSON, Mrs. H. D. NELSON, Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. JAMES and family, Greenville.

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## CORRECTION:

The correct email address of Alice S. Richmond is: asrichmond@worldnet.att.net

# Obituaries

From various old newspapers on microfilm, transcribed and contributed by Roger Kammerer.

**Death of Capt. WHITE**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., Nov. 6, 1914
Capt. Charles A. WHITE one of Greenville's oldest and best known citizens died about 8:30 o'clock, Wednesday night, at his home on Dickinson Avenue. He was a little past 81 years old and had for some time been feeble with age. Still his death came almost without a moments warning, as during the day Wednesday he had seemed as well as usual and had taken a walk up town in the afternoon. After supper his son, Mr. J. B. WHITE, was alone with him, and as he reclined in an arm chair was giving him a massage. Suddenly with an exclamation in which he called the name of his son, he threw his head back and began gasping. Physicians were quickly summoned but before they arrived he had passed away. Capt. WHITE was a native of Pitt county spent his early years on the farm and taught school. He moved to Greenville about 35 years ago, and engaged in merchantile business, taking rank as one of our leading merchants and cotton buyers. In 1894 he retired from business, turning his store over to his son. Mr. S. T. WHITE, who conducted it for some time, but he continued to take interest in affairs and was as active as his health would permit. He served during the whole of the civil war rising to the rank of Captain. He had an honorable record and was faithful and loyal to his state. Capt. WHITE was born in Sept. 1833 and in 1864 he married Miss Louise A. CORY. His wife died in 1911, and he is now survived by two sons, Messers. S. T. and J. B. WHITE, and one daughter, Mrs. Lula FLEMING. the funeral was held from the home at 4 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. M. DANIEL and Rev. C. M. ROCK.

**Mrs. Charles LANGSTON**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., June 26, 1914
Ayden Items, June 22.———Mrs. Charles LANGSTON who lived on the farm of R. H. GARRIS, near here died last week, had been sick a long time. The deceased was a sister of Mr. Coot MOORE. She leaves a husband and several children, most all grown.

**Ishmael CLARK Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., Aug. 11, 1899
Ishmael CLARK, an old colored man whom everybody knew as "Uncle Ishmael", died Saturday night. He was 84 years old. He was a faithful darkey of the old school and had scores of friends among the white people who never let him want for anything.

**Mr. Haywood KNOX Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., March 24, 1899
At 4 o'clock Wednesday morning Mr. Haywood KNOX died at his home three miles from town. He was 70 or more years old, was never married, and leaves no near relatives. His estate is estimated to be worth $7,000, and his will which was probated today names Mr. C. A. TUCKER as executor. Mr. TUCKER is principal legatee in the will, a bequest also being made to Miss Nancy BELL, and aged maiden lady who lived at the home of Mr. Knox.

**Mrs. Jerry WORTHINGTON Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., Oct. 23, 1914
Winterville Items, Oct. 19.———Mrs. Jerry WORTHINGTON died suddenly last Thursday night. Mrs. WORTHINGTON had tied tobacco all day until about 9 o'clock that night. After she retired about 10:30 she was suddenly taken very ill. Her struggles aroused her little granddaughter who was sleeping with her. The little girl called her parents at once but Mrs. WORTHINGTON died before anyone could get to her. She was about 68 years of age and is survived by a husband and three sons, Messers. Joe, Fred and J. H. WORTHINGTON the latter a resident of Cumberland county. The remains were interred at the cemetery Saturday afternoon.

**Jordan ELKS Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Tues., Oct. 23, 1900
Black Jack Items, Oct. 19.———Jordan ELKS, one of our respected farmers, died at his home this morning about four o'clock. He had been sick of typhoid fever for some weeks. We extend our deepest sympathy to the many bereaved ones left to mourn his death. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

**Robert NELSON, Jr. dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., Sept. 8. 1899
Ayden Items, Sept. 6.....Mr. Robert NELSON, Jr. , died near here Monday with fever. He leaves a wife and one child, having lost his baby about two weeks ago.

**Marcellus STOCKS Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., June 26, 1914
Winterville Items, June 18.————Mr. Marcillus STOCKS of near here passed away early Monday morning. Mr. STOCKS was sixty two years of age and has been suffering with paralysis for nearly three years. He is survived by a widow and three daughters, Mrs. J. B. BRILEY, Mrs. Robert MCGLOHON and Mrs. Bennie NOBLE.

**A Good Man Passes Away**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., Dec. 3, 1897
Mr. Harry GURGANUS, one of the oldest and best citizens of the county, died about 2 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, at his home near Whichard station. He was in his 80th year, and during the latter months of his life had been a great sufferer. He bore all his suffering patiently and looked forward to death as the messenger who would release him from the afflictions that beset this life. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist church and served his Savior and his generation faithfully. He died in faith and hope of the blessed immortality beyond the grave. His life was full of deeds of kindness to his fellow man, and the community in which he lived will sadly miss him. Mr. GURGANUS leaves and aged widow and two daughters to mourn his death. The latter are Mrs. W. R. WHICHARD, Sr., of this county, and Mrs. R. F. WILSON, of Beaufort county.

**Mrs. John C. MCGOWAN Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Tue., April 5, 1910
Ayden Items, April 5.....Mrs. John C. McGOWAN, nee Miss Easter STOCKS, died in Washington and was buried at the old family cemetery on the Lawrence STOCKS place Saturday.

**Alexander COBB Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Sat., March 26, 1910
Winterville Items, Mar. 26.....Alexander COBB, a colored man, died last Wednesday and was buried Thursday.

**Died Miss Penelope DUDLEY**
*Eastern Reflector*, Friday, July 7, 1899
Died at the residence of Mr. John MURPHY at half past one o'clock on the morning of Friday, June the 30th, Miss Penelope DUDLEY in the 70th year of her age. Her remains were interred in the old family burying ground about four miles from town Friday afternoon, Rev. I. A. CANFIELD conducting the services at the grave. Aunt Penny as so many people loved to call her, joined the Missionary Baptist church when a young woman, but after leaving her old home she never moved her membership as she lived for years in a neighborhood where there was no church of this denomination, but while taking no active part in any particular church work she was ever ready and willing to do any kindness, especially for the sick, and for little children. She said only a short while before her death "I belong to Jesus, I love Him and know that He loves me." Mr. Adolphus DUDLEY is her only living brother and she leaves two aged sisters, Mrs. Jennette DUDLEY and Miss Melvinie DUDLEY to tarry here yet a little while until the Death angel shall whisper to them too, to cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees.

**Died Mrs. Mamie ALLEN**
*Eastern Reflector*, Tues., June 6, 1899
Mrs. Mamie ALLEN, wife of Samuel ALLEN, died Thursday night at their home in this town. The remains were taken to the country for interment Friday afternoon.

**Mrs. Louisa FORBES Passes Away**
*Daily Reflector*, Thurs., April 23, 1931
Mrs. Louisa FORBES, aged 85 years, died this morning at 6:15 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. GARRIS, 1401 Broad street. She leaves surviving her two sons, W. H. and R. A. FORBES; and three daughters: Mrs. Cornelia GARRIS, Mrs. Annie Tessie STOKES and Mrs. Loula VAINWRIGHT; and a large number of relatives in and near Greenville. She was a member of the Christian church and the funeral services will be conducted from the home by Rev. W. A. RYAN, pastor of the Eighth Street Christian church at two o'clock tommorrow afternoon. Interment will be in the FORBES' cemetery near the Country club.

**John Daniel OWENS Succumbs to Illness**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., May 8, 1939
Funeral services for John Daniel OWENS, 77, one of the oldest citizens of Farmville, and well known throughout the entire community, were held from his late home on Greene street, Wednesday afternoon, at four o'clock, by Rev. J. B. ROBERTS, pastor of the Primitive Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. C. B. MARSHBURN, Christian minister. Burial was in Forest Hill cemetery. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Fannie Langley OWENS, four daughters, Miss Neva OWENS, and Mrs. J. R. TUGWELL, Jr., of Farmville, Mrs. B. D. JENKINS, of Rocky Mount, and Mrs. J. T. SKINNER, of Greenville; twelve grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Mr. OWENS succumbed early Tuesday afternoon to an illness of several weeks duration. He had been critically ill for ten days and his death was not unexpected. Of a gentle and kindly disposition, having honesty as an outstanding trait, and a great integrity, Mr. OWENS will be greatly missed by friends in the community.

**Mrs. Annie Fulford JOYNER**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., November 5, 1937
Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Fulford JOYNER, 62, widow of the late Jason JOYNER well known and highly regarded in this section of Pitt County, were conducted from her home here, Monday afternoon, at three o'clock, by Elder W. B. BARNES, pastor of Tyson's Primitive Baptist Church, and burial was made in the family plot at the homestead near Farmville. The death of Mrs. JOYNER came as a result of uremic poisoning on Saturday, and was not unexpected as she had been critically ill for several days. Mrs. JOYNER had been a faithful member of Tyson's Church for thirteen years. She is survived by five daughters, Mrs. E. S. NORMAN, Miss Evelyn and Miss Annie Laurie JOYNER, Farmville, Mrs. J. T. BALDREE, Wilson, Mrs. Ernest TRIPP, Ayden; Four sons, Robert, Russell and Stewart JOYNER, of Farmville, and Ola JOYNER, Newark, N. J.; seventeen grandchildren and three great grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. R. C. NORVILLE, Farmville, two brothers, L. A. FULFORD, Farmville and J. H. FULFORD, Wilson.

**Mr. Neddie CARMAN, Sr. Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Wed., March 23, 1910
Ayden Items, March 22. Mr. Neddie CARMAN, Sr., 92, died at his home near Rountrees' Tuesday. He leaves a widow and one son, Mr. E. C. CARMAN.

**Warren L. COBB**
***Daily Reflector*, Sat., May 21, 1904**
The funeral of Warren L. COBB took place yesterday afternoon at May's Chapel in the family burying ground in Beaver Dam Township. Heart failure was the cause of his death. His father, J. C. COBB, four brothers, R. J., L. A., and J. H. COBB, of Pitt County, and C. C. COBB of Norfolk, and two sisters, Mrs. C. D. HOOKS and Mrs. Ola FORBES, survive him.

Also, *Daily Reflector*, May 24, 1904....T. A. NICHOLS attended the funeral of his son-in-law, the late W. L. COBB, near Rochdale, last Friday.

**Mrs. A. L. JACKSON Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Tues., March 15, 1910
Ayden Items, Mar. 15.....Mrs. A. L. JACKSON, from near Ayden died Saturday of consumption. She leaves a husband and two children. Before marriage she was a Miss KENNEDY, and a sister of Mrs. Daniel WORTHINGTON of Ayden.

**Francis MCLAWHORN Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Tues., May 30, 1899
Winterville Items, May 27.....Mr. Francis MCLAWHORN who lives about 2 miles from here on Tar Road died Thursday night of consumption.

**Mr. Lawrence STOCKS Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Wed., Aug. 5, 1903
Winterville Items, Aug. 5.....Mr. Lawrence STOCKS, a very estimable farmer living about three miles from here, died very suddenly yesterday from an attack of cramp colic.

**Mrs. Betsy CASE Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Wed., Oct. 4, 1907
Ayden Items, Oct. 4.....Mrs. Betsy CASE Died at the home of her son-in-law, John DENNIS, who lives near here, last Tuesday and was buried the following afternoon.

**Coart PATRICK Dead**
*Kinston Daily Free Press*, April 8, 1899
Mr Coart PATRICK, of Pitt County, died yesterday at about the age of 70. Mr. Patrick lived near Centerville. He leaves a wife and one child. His remains were interred today in Pitt County.

**John FLEMING Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Wed., Sept. 21, 1892
Mr. John FLEMING died at his home in Pactolus township, at 6 o'clock Monday morning, after an illness of 12 days. He had a hemorragic or yellow chill on Wednesday, the 7th, and had a second one last week. Mr. FLEMING was about 42 years old, and leaves a wife and six children. He was an upright man and a good citizen. At the time of his death he was President of the Farmer's Alliance of Pitt county and was held in high esteem by the order. His funeral took place yesterday. The Reflector sympathizes with the family and relatives in their affliction.

**Miss Lizzie FOLEY Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Tues., Sept. 18, 1899
There were many sad hearts in Greenville Friday evening when it was announced that Miss Lizzie FOLEY was dead. She passed away about 5 o'clock at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary FOLEY, on Greene street. Miss Lizzie had been in feeble health for some months, and while of late her condition had grown more serious none were prepared to realize that the end was so near. She was a member of the Catholic church and also of Helena Lodge Daughters of Rebekah. Besides her mother mentioned above, deceased leaves three sisters, Mrs. T. B. CHERRY and Misses Julia and Annie FOLEY, and one brother, Mr. Edward FOLEY. She also leaves a host of friends who join them in their sorrow. The burial took place at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon in Cherry Hill cemetery, services being conducted by Father Quinn.

**T. J. STANCILL, Sr. Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Wed., Oct. 5, 1892
Mr. T. J. STANCILL, Sr., a highly esteemed citizen of this county, died at his home in Belvoir township two weeks ago. He leaves several children, all of whom are grown.

**Mr. Bernard GREENE Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Fri., Mar. 27, 1914
Mr. William Bernard GREENE died Friday night at 10:45 o'clock at his home on Dickinson avenue of ulcerated chronic colitis of which he had been a sufferer for more than twelve months, but not until about

eight weeks ago was he forced to take his bed. He was taken to a hospital a few days after his sickness was considered serious, but it was discovered that nothing could be done for his recovery and three weeks ago he was brought back home. Even though cognizant of his serious condition, he conversed with friends a few hours previous to his death in his usual cheerful and joking manner. Mr. GREENE was born in Greenville about forty nine years ago and had spent his entire life here. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him, and few men of every day life possessed more friends than he. The deceased was a member of the Episcopal church, where the funeral services were conducted this afternoon at 3 o'clock by the rector of the Scotland Neck church, interment being made in the Episcopal cemetery. Besides his wife and one son, two sisters and three brothers survive. They are: Mrs. F. M. HODGES, Miss Betsy GREENE, Dr. J. C. GREENE and Mr. Robert GREENE, of Greenville, and Dr. Edward GREENE, of Raleigh, N. C.

**Theophilus DAIL Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Sat., Aug. 12, 1905
Winterville Items, Aug. 12.....Theophilus DAIL, an aged citizen who lived a few miles from here, died yesterday. He was father of our prominent miller, Calvin DAIL. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him and we greatly sympathize with one miller in the loss of his father.

**William MOYE Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Mon., Feb. 26, 1910
Winterville Items, Feb. 26.....William MOYE, who lived near Greenville, was buried near here, at the old burying ground yesterday.

**Mr. WILLOUGHBY Succumbs**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., Aug. 20, 1937
Funeral services for Benjamin WILLOUGHBY, 64, a well known and highly respected Pitt County farmer and citizen, were held from his residence on Contentnea street, Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. C. B. MARSHBURN, pastor of the Christian Church, of which denomination he was a member. Burial took place in the SMITH burial grounds at Bell Arthur. Mr. WILLOUGHBY is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Fannie SMITH, three daughters, Mrs. L. R. NICHOLS, Greenville; Mrs. A. B. TYSON, Mrs. Allen PERRY, Farmville; a son, Smith WILLOUGHBY, Greenville; a sister, Mrs. Lizzie TYSON, and a brother, R. E. WILLOUGHBY.

**Mrs. James Gideon FULFORD**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., April 6, 1934
Mrs. Mamie FULFORD, 54, widow of the late James Gideon FULFORD, at 4:00 A. M., Saturday, March 31, peacefully slumbered, as her immortal soul was wafted back to whence it came, as her lips failed to lisp and heart stood still, as the eyes closed in eternal sleep, surrounded by her three children, Mrs. Clara TUGWELL, James and Gideon FULFORD, and others, who stood around and silently whispered farewell to "Mother." Mrs. FULFORD before her marriage was Miss Mamie HARRIS, daughter of Richard HARRIS, of Farmville, and his wife, Mrs. Josephine EVANS, of near Greenville, all pioneer citizens of the State. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Bell—Arthur, joining at the original Bethlehem church at Tyson's, in her early years of youth, and was a most devoted mother and friend to the poor, always willing to lend a helping hand or speak a word of sympathy to any she chanced to meet, and few that knew her failed to love her. Though poor in wealth, weak in health, she was rich in sympathy and strong in endurance. and hope in time of despondency. She was an invalid for nearly four years and was a great sufferer, although patient to her fate, and before her death she had a vision, which seemed to arouse her so much she called her friends and family to her bedside and outlined her funeral rites, which were carried out as near as possible, even to her shroud and by a Methodist minister She even named the day she would be called to go. To mourn her passing she leaves three children, two grandchildren, four half brothers, Ruel, Peter, Floys and Robert HARRIS, of near Snow Hill; three sisters, Mrs. Frank BEAMAN, Mrs. Alonza CARRAWAY, Mrs. Dora CARRAWAY, of Greene County. Rev. H. L. HENDRICKS, Methodist minister, of Farmville, conducted the funeral services and interment was made in the Parker

burial grounds near Tysons church, Sunday afternoon. May her exit from this earth be just an entrance into glory. A friend—Watt PARKER

**J. C. BOYD Dead**
*Daily Reflector*, Mon., Feb. 5, 1906
On Saturday night last at his home three miles from Greenville, Mr. J. C. BOYD died and was buried Sunday afternoon in the family burial ground. Mr. BOYD leaves one child, J. H. BOYD, and four grand children. He was nearly seventy years old, and has been a resident of this county for about sixty years.

**Mrs. CHRISTMAN Dead**
*Eastern Reflector*, Wed., Oct. 5, 1892
Mrs. CHRISTMAN, mother of our townsman, Mr. T. F. CHRISTMAN and of Mrs. A. A. FORBES and Mrs. L. H. EVANS, died at her home four miles from Greenville on Thursday of last week. Her remains were taken to Wilson for interment. She was quite old and for sometime had been in feeble health.

**Services for Mrs. Allie Joyner ROBINSON**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., Oct. 24, 1930
Funeral rites for Mrs. Allie Joyner ROBINSON, wife of the late T. E. ROBINSON, were conducted at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. E. WILLOUGHBY near Bell—Arthur, Monday afternoon at 3:00, by Rev. G. H. SULLIVAN, pastor of the Arthur Disciples' church, of which she had long been a faithful member. Mrs. ROBINSON, age 63, had been in ill health for more than a year. She was visiting her daughter, Miss Allie Brown ROBINSON, night operator of the local telephone offices, when stricken on Tuesday evening, and was practically unconscious until her death on Sunday evening at 3:40. She had lived in the Arthur vicinity most her life, and will be missed by a large circle of friends and neighbors. She is survived by two daughters: Miss Allie Brown ROBINSON, of Farmville, Mrs. R. E. WILLOUGHBY, and a son, Bert ROBINSON, both of Bell—Arthur.

**William A. TAYLOR Dead**
*Tarboro Southerner*, June 8, 1871
Died in Pitt county on June 5 of apoplexy, William A. TAYLOR, aged 54 years.

**Allen KITTRELL Dead**
*Kinston Journal*, May 19, 1881
Died in Pitt county, Allen KITTRELL, after being scalded.

**Death Claims C. H. CRAWFORD**
*Farmville Enterprise*, Fri., Sept. 7, 1934
Greenville, September 4.....C. H. CRAWFOED, 53, influential farmer of the Bell Arthur community, died last night at 9:45 o'clock, after two days' illness from pneumonia. Funeral services were conducted from his late home this afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. Walter NOBLES of Winterville, and burial was made in the ELKS graveyard at Ballards. Mr. CRAWFORD spent all his life in the community where he died and was active in the agricultural and civil life of the section. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Mollie ELKS, daughter of the late William Henry and Nancy ELKS, a son, W. L. CRAWFORD, and three brothers, James H., John R., and Leon CRAWFORD, all of the Bell Arthur community.

**Mrs. Mary Alice TAFT Dead**
*Tarboro Southerner*, Jan. 2, 1873
Died on the 18th of December, at her residence in Pitt county, Mrs. Mary Alice TAFT, consort of Godfrey TAFT, Esq., and daughter of Rev. E. D. and Mary E. HOOVER, aged 32 years.

**Mrs. Lovick GASKINS Dead**
*Kinston Journal*, Sept. 23, 1880
Died in Pitt County on Sept. 17, Mrs. Lovick GASKINS, aged 60.

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# Queries

Wiley/Willie ROBSON, b. ca. 1775 in Pitt Co., married _____CASON. They moved to Georgia about 1810. Since there are so many ROBSONS and CASONS in the records of Great Swamp and Flat Swamp Primitive Baptist Churchs, does anyone have the name of the CASON woman he married and her parents?
— Charles B. SCHWEIZER; 891 Prestonwood Dr.; Edwardsville, I. 62025-4136 (618-659-0738). email: cbschweizer@iw.edwpub.com

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Looking for more information on James HARRIS, Pitt Co., NC; married Crissie Phoebie _____?
— Robbie Sewell MOYE; 1703 Salem Ch. Rd.; Goldsboro, NC 27830 (919-735-5896). email: robbie@esn.net

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Need any information on Matthew and Famariah WARD, before 1810. Children: Luke WARD, b. 1810, Pitt Co.; Drupina WARD, b. 1815, Pitt Co., NC. Moved to Wilson Co., TN, by 1821, and to McNairy Co., TN, by 1826.
— Dora SANDERS; 711 14th Northwest; Miami, OK 74354. email Dsanders@RecTec.Net

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Seeking information on John WEST family of Mosley Creek/Dover/Ft. Barnwell ares of Craven County, North Carolina.
— Ray GRIFFIN; 333 Chadwyck Drive; Danville, VA 24541-3306 (804-793-1744). rgriffin@gamewood.net

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Seeking parents of Shade F. WETHERINGTON, b. ca. 1845. Shade was the father of Robert Yancy WETHERINGTON, b. 1865. Also seeking info on Alice Arilla ANDREWS, b. 1873 in NC, wife of Robert Yancey WETHERINGTON, and mother of Eva Rae WETHERINGTON.
— Pat TRIGILIO; 16640 Dolf Rd.; Stewartstown, PA 17363 (717-993-2169). email: ptrigilio@hotmail.com

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Seeking info David COBB; also Benajah MOBLEY, 1800–1870, married Nancy RIVES, 1808–1870. Who was the father of Benajoh?
— Jeanette KORNOWA; 15644 Helen; Southgate, Michigan 48195-2019 (734-282-8708).

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The following members joined late in the year, and have up to four unpublished free queries:

1. Della Arceny ELKS, dau. of Wm. A. ELKS and Arcena (2nd wife), b. 1864, married Edmund SPAIN 1883. 1900 census lists children: Maggie b. 1885, Lula b. 1889, Walter b. 1887, Heber b. 1891, Clearer b. 1895, Thad b. 1898.
2. Eliza ELKS, dau. of Wm. A. ELKS & Arcena, b. 1860-d. 1924, married Wm. MINON, son of Jacob MINON and Sallie. 1900 census lists her a widow, 6 children, 6 living. Need names of children.Did her children leave the county or state?
3. William A. ELKS, son of Wm. A. ELKS and Arcena, b. 1863, was not listed in 1900–1920 censuses; did he die young or leave the county. Would like to exchange info with kin of these families.
— Virginia Holdford STULTZ; 960 W. Elva St.; Idaho Falls, ID 83402 (208-523-1780).

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1. Seeking parents and/or ancestors of Nathaniel EVERETT I, b. 1678, and married Mary HARRISON ca. 1699 in Chowan Co., NC, and died in 1749. He is on Chow. Co. Tax List of 1717 for 460 acres. Mary, his widow, was living in 1818 [sic].
2. Seeking parents/ancestors of Betsy BRICKHOUSE, b. 1796, and married Joshua EVERETT on Mar. 31, 1814, and was mother of Ada EVERETT (b. May 1, 1820) who married David Taylor AYERS about 1839.
— Gene AYERS; 3127 Sretaw Drive; Charlotte, NC 28210-4857 (704-552-1660). email: tazdevil@charlotte.infi.net

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1. Who are the parents and/or siblings of Thomas WILLIAMSON, born in Greenville,* NC, about 1735.
2. Thomas Williamson (1735–1813) was a private in the Revolution with the NC Militia, according to DAR files. What can be said of his service, bounty warrants, etc.?
3. Three children of Thomas WILLIAMSON and Anne Newton WILLIAMSON in Greenville,* NC: Anne in 1760, William in 1762, and Elizabeth in 1764. The family had moved to Spartansburg, SC, by 1785.
[* Editor's note: Pitt Co. was formed in 1760; Greenville (first named Martinsborough) was chartered in 1772–74.]
— Lee MEYERS; 37 Strauss Lane; Olympia Fields, IL 60461-1621. email: Leesa7447@aol.com

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1. Seeking information on William DRAKE, b. 1750, father of Delilah DRAKE. William d. Mar. 7, 1827, in Edgecombe Co., NC. Who was William's wife? Who was mother of Delilah DRAKE? Her father was Nathan EDWARDS, also of Edgecombe Co., NC.
2. Seeking info on Mills & Delilah (DRAKE) PEEL. Mills (b. 1784, Hertford Co., NC) m. Delilah DRAKE of Edgecombe Co., NC, ca. 1810; moved to Burke Co., GA, ca. 1830. Sons: James b. 1812, Levi b. 1815, Edmund b. 1817, Dempsey b. 1819, Thomas b. 1823, Unnamed Dau. b. 1821, all born in Edgecombe Co., NC. Also seeking info on Dempsey PEEL, b. 1759, father of Mills PEEL. Dempsey later moved to Edgecombe, d. 1811. Who was Dempsey's wife?
— John Gordon WILLIAMS 025154; P. O. Box 221; Union Correctional Institution; Raiford, FL 32083-0221.

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1. David SMITH, b. mid-1790s in NC. In 1850 census in Chattooga Co., GA. Wife Lucinda (Lucy) _____. Need birth dates, name of father and mother, marriage date and wife's name. Our Family Genealogy, by Cox and McCormac, 1938, p. 59, shows Henry SMITH and wife Sally ADAMS with a son David SMITH who married and moved to Georgia. Seeking any info on these or other David SMITHs.
2. Lucinda (Lucy) _____, b. in SC, wife of David Smith, in Chattooga Co., GA, in 1850 census. Desire information on Lucinda's maiden name, parents' names, and date of marriage to David Smith.
— Dorothy Smith DUFF; 2806 Majestic Drive; Ooltewah, TN 37363.

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1. Seeking parents of Timothy MURRAY of Hyde Co., NC. Timothy was the father of Riley, who was b. 1799.
2. Seeking dates of birth, death and marriage of Jacob FARROW of Hyde Co., NC, and his wife Amey, in the early to mid-1700s.
3. Seeking info on Sarah BROOKS, wife of John FARROW of Hyde Co., NC; she was born 1745.
4. Seeking info on Angelica RIORDAME, wife of Thomas BROOKS, Sr., of Hyde Co., NC. He was born 1738. Would like info on his parents, also.
— Annette MACRAE; P. O. Box 940; Bethel, NC 27812 (252-825-5956).

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1. Seek ancestors of Martin HALL, b. 1762/1770 (NC?) married Permelia _____, b. 1772 (NC?). Martin had bro. Delaney HALL, killed in the Rev. War (Brinkley's Co.). Known children of Martin HALL: James Martin, b. 1794 NC; Sarah, b. 1797 NC; Mary, b. 1799 NC; and Delaney Washington HALL, b. 1801 NC. This family moved to KY ca 1810. Also need info on William JOHNSTON who m. Martha GEORGE, sons Benjamine and Washington JOHNSTON, b. Pitt Co., NC, m. Sarah and Mary HALL, daus. of Martin HALL. Where in NC did these families reside?
2. Seeking parents of both Samuel COLE, b. ca. 1795 NC, d. 1879 KY, m. Elizabeth HOLCOMB(E). Also info and parents of James H. RHODES, b. ca. 1800 NC, m. Mary HINCHLEY/HINCHEY. They moved to TN. Son David m. Martha MYRICK 7/10/1845 TN. Need parents and county of birth of James H. RHODES, Mary HINCHLEY and Martha MYRICK.
3. Need parents of both Jerimiah MIZE, b. 1805, m. Martha ALDERDICE, b. 1803; were in Rockingham Co., NC, in 1813. Children: Robert Washington, b. NC, Benjamin, James, Henry, Mary A. E., Jerimiah, Martha E., Joshua MIZE. Jerimiah and Martha both d. in TN. Several of their children moved to KY.
4. Owen SLAUGHTER m. Elizabeth _____, Anson Co., NC. What was her maiden name? Their dau. Nancy m. Gilliam EZELL. Need parents of Owen SLAUGHTER. All of these families intermarried: SLAUGHTER, JOINER, GILLIAM, WESTER, EZELL. Will share info on any of these families.
— Sue Hall MILLS; 228 Nickell Hgts.; Paducah, KY 42003 (270-898-3483).

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1. Seeking information on parents of James Kenneth COBURN (b. 1795, d. 1845). He married Elizabeth GRIMES (ca. 1800–1880). They were parents of Margaret COBURN (b. 1832, d. 1906) who married James Rueben ROSS. They were all residents of Martin County.
2. Would appreciate information on Cornelius PATRICK and his wife (name unknown). They came to Pitt County from Ireland in 1803 according to family records. Their daughter Elizabeth married William JAMES.
— Patsy EVANS; 208 Joseph Street; Greenville, NC 27858 (252-756-5649).

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Josephus PITTMAN, born ca. 1820 in Lenoir Co., NC, son of Elijah Vail PITTMAN and Nancy BROOKS. Married (1st) Mary ABBOTT, and (2nd) Louisa BLOUNT. Josephus PITTMAN reportly "died at sea." Need information that would help document the circumstances surrounding his death.
— Nancy L. PITTMAN; 1654 NC 121; Greenville, NC 27834 (252-758-7023) email: NPITTMAN@prodigy.net.

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## Last Minute Announcements

Congratulations to the new officers: Bill Kittrell, President
Nancy L. Pittman, Secretary
Brenda D. Stocks, Board

And to the returning officers: Warren McRoy, Treasurer
Anne Johnson, Board
Effie Bailey, Board

The December 1999 meeting of the PCFR, Inc., will be held this year at the Hooker Memorial Christian Church Fellowship Hall. Covered dish goodies will be served.

Please contribute photocopies and/or transcriptions of those precious records for submission to the *Quarterly*. Contact: Roger Kammerer, editor.

***We look forward to a good year in 2000.***

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